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Purple Heart

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 1, 2024
Barr,Indiana

Do you have any records of a family reunion? While researching the descendants of James Steele and his wife, Elizabeth Barr, I recently stumbled upon two articles about the 1890 Steele family reunion in Hancock county, Indiana. This was a reunion of the children of James Steele, son of James and Elizabeth, and his wife, Sarah Reeves. Amazingly, both articles are found in the same issue of the paper.

> The Hancock Democrat (Greenfield, Indiana)
> 3 Jul 1890
> page 8
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> Family Reunion
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> H. C. Garriott
> Wilkinson, June 30, 1890

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James Steele, the father, was killed by the falling of a tree soon after moving on the land that since has been made a farm. The family then consisted of three boys and six girls and there were grown children down to the child on its mother's lap, and now they are surrounded by their children and grandchildren and are honored and respected in the communities in which they live. After dinner all retired to the shade on the lawn, where they engaged in telling stories and reminiscence of ye olden times. John Steele remarked that he expected to have his share of fun as long as he lived; that his body, it was true, was getting old, but his mind was young as ever. He sang some of the songs he used to sing when a boy. All made merry until "Old Sol" admonished them that it was time to go, and they parted perhaps to never meet again.

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W. M.

Even though I've just started digging into the family of James Steele and Sarah Reeves, I have been able to use the FamilySearch tree to identify potential descendants. Below is a report that shows the children and probable grandchildren of James Steele and his wife, Sarah Jane Reeves.

1-James Steele-24817
b: 16 October 1805, Pennsylvania, United States
d: 13 January 1838, Hancock, Indiana, United States
+Sarah Jane Reeves-24818
b: 29 July 1798, Kentucky, United States
d: 12 January 1864, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 2-Margaret L Steel-24829
b: 10 April 1819, Brown, Ohio, United States
d: 14 September 1906, Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . +William Lair Garriott-24830
b: 12 September 1823, Alquina, Fayette, Indiana, United States
m: 10 March 1842, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 4 March 1901, Warrington, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Henry Clay Garriott-24831
b: 1 July 1842, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 9 April 1922, Wilkinson, Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Martha Ann Garriott-24832
b: 1844, Indiana, United States
d: 25 October 1884, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-James M Garriott-24835
b: 29 December 1846
d: 20 July 1848
. . . . . 3-Sarah M Garriott-24834
b: 29 May 1849, Indiana, United States
d: 4 August 1928, Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Amanda F Garrott-24833
b: March 1852, Indiana
d: 21 July 1904
. . . . . 2-Elizabeth Ann Steele-24828
b: 6 November 1822, Ohio, United States
d: 6 July 1911, Siskiyou, California, United States
. . . . . +Freeman Chandler-24858
b: September 1828, Maine, United States
d: 10 December 1900, Montague, Siskiyou, California, United States
. . . . . 3-Stella Chandler-24859
b: 1864, Siskiyou, California, United States
d: 1894, Siskiyou, California, United States
. . . . . +Jesse Combs-24860
b: 3 June 1819, Wilkes, North Carolina, United States
d: 3 October 1859, Yreka, Siskiyou, California, United States
. . . . . 3-Elias Pierce Combs-24861
b: October 1852, California, United States
d: 24 October 1935, Klamath Falls, Klamath, Oregon, United States
. . . . . 3-Urminda Mariah Combs-24862
b: 15 September 1851, Keokuk, Lee, Iowa, United States
d: 16 February 1927, Bakersfield, Kern, California, United States
. . . . . 3-George Buchanan Combs-24863
b: March 1857, Yreka, Siskiyou, California, United States
d: 6 June 1915, Yreka, Siskiyou, California, United States
. . . . . 3-Sarah K Combs-24864
b: 23 December 1848, Indiana, United States
d: 30 November 1890
. . . . . 3-Mary E Combs-24865
b: 1859, California, United States
d:
. . . . . 3-William J K P Combs-24866
b: 1845, Indiana, United States
d:
. . . . . 3-Medora Frances Combs-24867
b: 19 January 1842, St. Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 9 January 1881, Little Shasta, Siskiyou, California, United States

. . . . . 2-Sarah Jane Steele-24825
b: 5 February 1823, Brown, Ohio, United States
d: 1891, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . +George Purcell Marsh-24883
b: 9 August 1820, Rheatown, Greene, Tennessee, United States
d: 27 October 1904, Montrose, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-William Henry Marsh-24884
b: 1856, Pendleton, Hancock, IL or Nashville, Hancock, IN
d:
. . . . . 3-Ila Jefferson Marsh-24885
b: 1 December 1853, Toulon, Stark, Illinois, United States
d: March 1937, Montrose, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-Catherine Marsh-24886
b: 1852, Pendleton, Hancock, IL or Nashville, Hancock, IN
d: 1945, Montrose, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-Sarah C. Marsh-24887
b: 1858, Illinois, United States
d:
. . . . . 3-Mary Margaret Marsh-24888
b: 25 August 1848, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 16 May 1921, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-John Lair Marsh-24889
b: 19 September 1860, Henry, Illinois, United States
d: 9 January 1936, Montrose, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-Elizabeth Ann Marsh-24890
b: 13 May 1846, Greenfield, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 23 January 1917, Deepwater, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 3-Amanda Jane Marsh-24891
b: 1 October 1844, Indiana, United States
d: 21 February 1920, Montrose, Henry, Missouri, United States
. . . . . 2-Arminda Steele-24823
b: 10 June 1827, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 2 March 1885, Holland, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . +Stacey Lawyer-24892
b: 7 August 1821, New Jersey, United States
d: 28 July 1904, Holland, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-William Willis Lawyer-24893
b: 5 May 1863, Effingham, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 1920, Beecher City, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Rosetta Alice Lawyer-24894
b: 25 November 1857, Illinois, United States
d: 3 March 1896, Effingham, Effingham, Illinois
. . . . . 3-Martha E Lawyer-24895
b: 4 August 1854, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 6 March 1877, Effingham, Effingham, Illinois
. . . . . 3-Maria Jane Lawyer-24896
b: 14 October 1851, Indiana, United States
d: 8 July 1933, Liberty Township, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Ida Alverda Lawyer-24897
b: 9 April 1867, Illinois, United States
d: 15 July 1897, Shelby Co, Illinois
. . . . . 3-Margaret Ann Lawyer-24898
b: 18 November 1847, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 16 October 1936, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Ardelia Isabelle Lawyer-24899
b: March 1870, Illinois, United States
d: 1909, Oklahoma, United States
. . . . . 3-John Ray Lawyer-24900
b: 10 September 1846, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 2 May 1974, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Sarah Lawyer-24901
b: 2 September 1845, Hancock County, Indiana
d: 5 December 1906, Beecher City, Effingham, Illinois
. . . . . 2-James Scott Steele-24822
b: 3 January 1830, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States

d: 7 March 1880, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . +Lydia Margaret Waller-24902
b: 10 March 1845, Shelby, Illinois, United States
d: 12 September 1919, Halstead, Harvey, Kansas, United States
. . . . . 3-Perry Tilden Steele-24903
b: 9 May 1878, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 12 June 1878, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-John Murray Steele-24904
b: 29 August 1874, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 21 December 1944, Albuquerque, Bernalillo, New Mexico, United States
. . . . . 3-Ara Hendricks Steele-24905
b: 9 May 1878, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 18 November 1923, Halstead, Harvey, Kansas, United States
. . . . . 3-Mattie Belle Steele-24907
b: 20 August 1880, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 3 March 1963, Halstead, Harvey, Kansas, United States
. . . . . 3-Amanda Francis Jane “Jennie” Steele-24908
b: 6 November 1871, Willow Branch, Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 12 June 1951, Watonga, Blaine, Oklahoma, United States
. . . . . 3-Henry Shedy Steele-24909
b: 6 November 1868, Indiana, United States
d: 29 August 1875, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Ila Benton Steele-24910
b: 6 July 1866, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 30 December 1943, Newton, Harvey, Kansas, United States
. . . . . 2-Martha Steele-24819
b: 29 April 1838, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 21 October 1908, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . +John Harvey Kennedy-24878
b: 5 February 1829, Rush, Indiana, United States
d: 22 April 1892, Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Oscar T. Kennedy-24879
d: 1886
. . . . . 3-Mahala Frances Kennedy-24882
b: 1856
d: 1938
. . . . . 3-William Kennedy-24881
b: 1862
d: 1885
. . . . . 3-Ida M Kennedy-24880
b: 1865
d: 1869
. . . . . 2-Ila Steele-24821
b: 31 May 1832, Rush, Indiana, United States
d: 26 April 1897, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . +Elizabeth Holiday-24911
b: 1835, Rush, Indiana, United States
d:
. . . . . 3-Minnie Mae Steele-24912
b: 29 July 1872, Jackson Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 13 January 1959, Fountaintown, Shelby, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-Vietta Steel-24913
b: 24 March 1868, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d: 14 May 1869, Hancock, Indiana, United States
. . . . . 3-William Dallas Steele-24914
b: 1865, Indiana, United States
d:
. . . . . 2-Amanda Steele-24820
b: 7 September 1834, Rush, Indiana, United States
d: 31 May 1906, LaSalle, Illinois, United States
. . . . . +Amaziah H. Sparks-24868
b: 9 August 1826, Indiana, United States
d: 4 April 1871, Beecher City, Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-William Harvey Sparks-24869
b: 6 February 1867, Shelby, Illinois, United States

d: 15 June 1921, Todds Point, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Ila Ulysses Sparks-24870
b: 3 October 1864, Liberty Township, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 10 March 1929, Ohlman, Montgomery, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-George Barr Sparks-24871
b: 23 November 1862, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 6 May 1944, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-James Washington Sparks-24872
b: 14 January 1861, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 28 April 1931, Burlington, Kit Carson, Colorado, United States
. . . . . 3-Charles Franklin Sparks-24873
b: 26 June 1869, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 25 April 1913, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Sarah Margaret Sparks-24874
b: 17 December 1858, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 9 February 1945, Dry Point Township, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Mary C. Sparks-24875
b: 16 March 1871, Liberty Twp., Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 16 March 1871, Liberty Twp., Effingham, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-John Lair Sparks-24876
b: 8 May 1857, Effingham, Illinois, United States
d: 30 May 1878, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 3-Willis Aro Sparks-24877
b: 11 February 1855, Shelby, Illinois, United States
d: 19 February 1856, Shelby, Illinois, United States
. . . . . 2-Byron R Steele-24824
b: 1835, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d:
. . . . . 2-John R Steele-24827
b: 1872, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d:
. . . . . +Mariah Rhodes-24915
b: 1875, Willow Branch, Hancock, Indiana, United States
d:

RootsTech

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 1, 2024
RootsTech

#NotAtRootsTech

Are you 'attending' virtual RootsTech? Or, are you one of the lucky ones in Salt Lake! Either way, I'm sure you will agree that yesterday's sessions were fantastic!

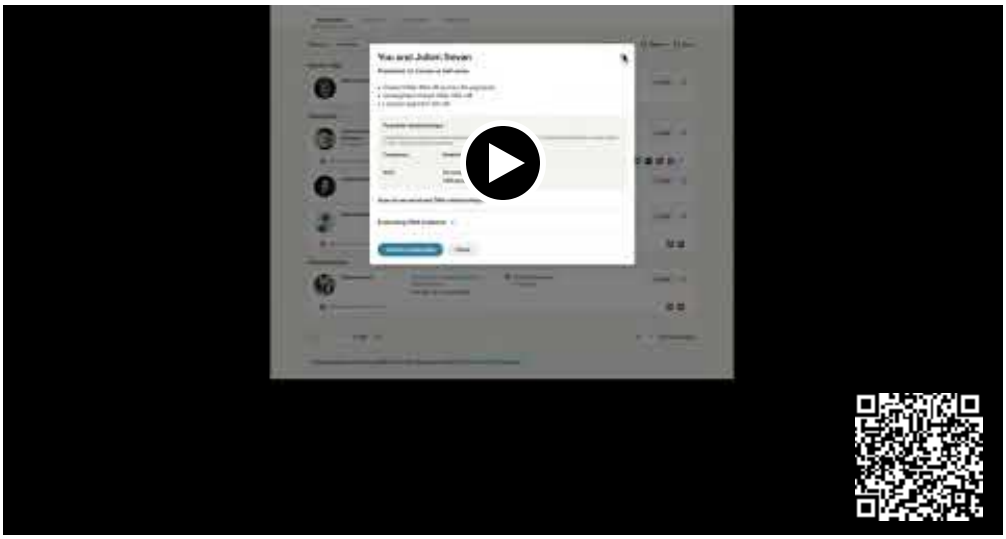
Even though choices of sessions caused me to miss some of the major announcements, other bloggers came thru and shared those announcements. One of those I missed was FamilySearch's announcement about their Experimental Search. This is also one of the announcements I expected. Michael John Neill posted a tip about this feature last July and I shared my experiences in my Experimental Search post. Shortly after my post, the feature was no longer public. While one could apply to be a 'beta tester', I was never selected. However, I did have about an hour long video interview with the developers where they showed me what they were working on and asked my opinions about the tool and the features. What I saw at that time made me hope that this tool would again be public. And it now is!

https://youtube.com/watch?v=30TzWfcMXYU

Special thanks to Teresa Ghee Elliott for sharing the blog post, Game Changer, by Judy G. Russell and to Amy Johnson Crowe for her Big News from RootsTech day 1! video.

Another announcement that I missed was by Ancestry about their new DNA tools. Thankfully, Randy Seaver shared this announcement on Facebook.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=Q7QAJjYtXLU



Some of these new tools likely require a Pro Tools subscription. However, these new tools might just entice me to utilize those Pro Tools.

My Thursday schedule had several sessions selected for many of the time slots. As I have time, I'm trying to go back and watch other sessions. So far, I've watched the following sessions:

- Where Did You Find that? Effective Searches on FamilySearch.org by Debbie Gurtler
- Fixing Sticky Problems in FailySearch Family Tree by Kathryn Grant
- You Can DO the DNA #1 – Get Started (or Restarted) by DIahan Southard
- General Session 1: Henry Cho
- What's New at Ncestry in 2024 by Crista Cowan
- Genealogy's Secret Weapon: How mtDNA Can SOlve Family Mysteries by Katy Rowe-Schurwanz
- Brick Wall Ancestors Need a Search Party

While all of the sessions were great, my favorite has to be the Brick Wall Ancestors Need a Search Party by Janet Hovorka, Diahan Southard and Crista Cowan. (FamilySearch login likely required to view session.) Their 'Search Party' process includes the following:

- Spotlight
- Clues
- Sift
- Map
- Dig

Even with technical difficulties affecting today's schedule, RootsTech provides lots of FREE learning opportunities from home.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 2, 2024
Nemaha County

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901 Raphael Thomas Gudenkauf
902 Thomas Donald Troughton
903 Raymond Leo Williams
904 Harry Andrew Mathewson
950 Dale Conger Darr
906 Lawrence Bernard Heinen
907 Gail Ivan Dilliplain
908 Wayne LeRoy McKinnie
909 Mathias Benedict Rettele
910 Leland mark Blane
911 David Edward Taylor
912 Ralph William Herrmann
913 George Edward Baskett
914 Samuel Ezra Kuykendall
915 Lyle Louis Luginbill
916 Vincen Eugene Haug
917 Paul Ivan Wurzh[wher]
918 George William Guffy
919 Francis Aloysius Schmits
920 Mark James Torrey
921 Bernard Henry Buessing
922 Frederick James Baxter
923 Edwin Herbert Huerter
924 Irwin Grant Bailey
925 William Robert Murphy
926 WIliam Ard Weir
927 James Worth Tohn
928 Virgil Clive Followell
929 Oathel E McClary
930 Henry Wm. Hunnighake
931 Henry Hand[?]
932 Ottie Lynval Humphrey
933 George Raymond Hittle
934 Clifford [?] Harter
935 Robert Glen Sourk
936 Henry Benedict Wessel
937 Lincoln Alison Joe[?]

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 3, 2024
RootsTech,SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night again –

Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) What have you done at RootsTech 2024 so far (we're in the third day), either in-person or online? What has been the highlights for you so far?

RootsTech 2024 has been fantastic! Yes, there have been some hiccups, but I find it amazing that I can sit in my home office in front of my computer and get all of this content for FREE!

As I'm writing this, it is Saturday afternoon and my laptop is waiting to connect to the 2:30 pm (CST) session. I'm hoping to also watch a session at 4 pm – but my ability to pay attention is starting to lag.

As a virtual attendee, there are a couple of suggestions that I'd like to make for next year.

- First, how do we #NotAtRootsTech attendees evaluate sessions? I've listened to quite a few excellent sessions but haven't been able to find a way to provide that feedback. Yes, you can do it on the app. But, the app doesn't work if you are a virtual attendee.
- Second, is there a way that virtual attendees could get a schedule of the exhibit hall presentations? I heard thru the grapevine about a WikiTree presentation. Thus, I was able to find it on YouTube. But what about all of those presentations that were recorded that I haven't heard about.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=3IfQ1OKk0so

On Friday, I posted RootsTech that summarized my activites on Thursday.

Technology issues threw my Friday schedule off a bit. Thus, I was trying to play ‘catch up’ with missed sessions. Sessions that I’ve watched from Friday and Saturday’s schedule include the following:

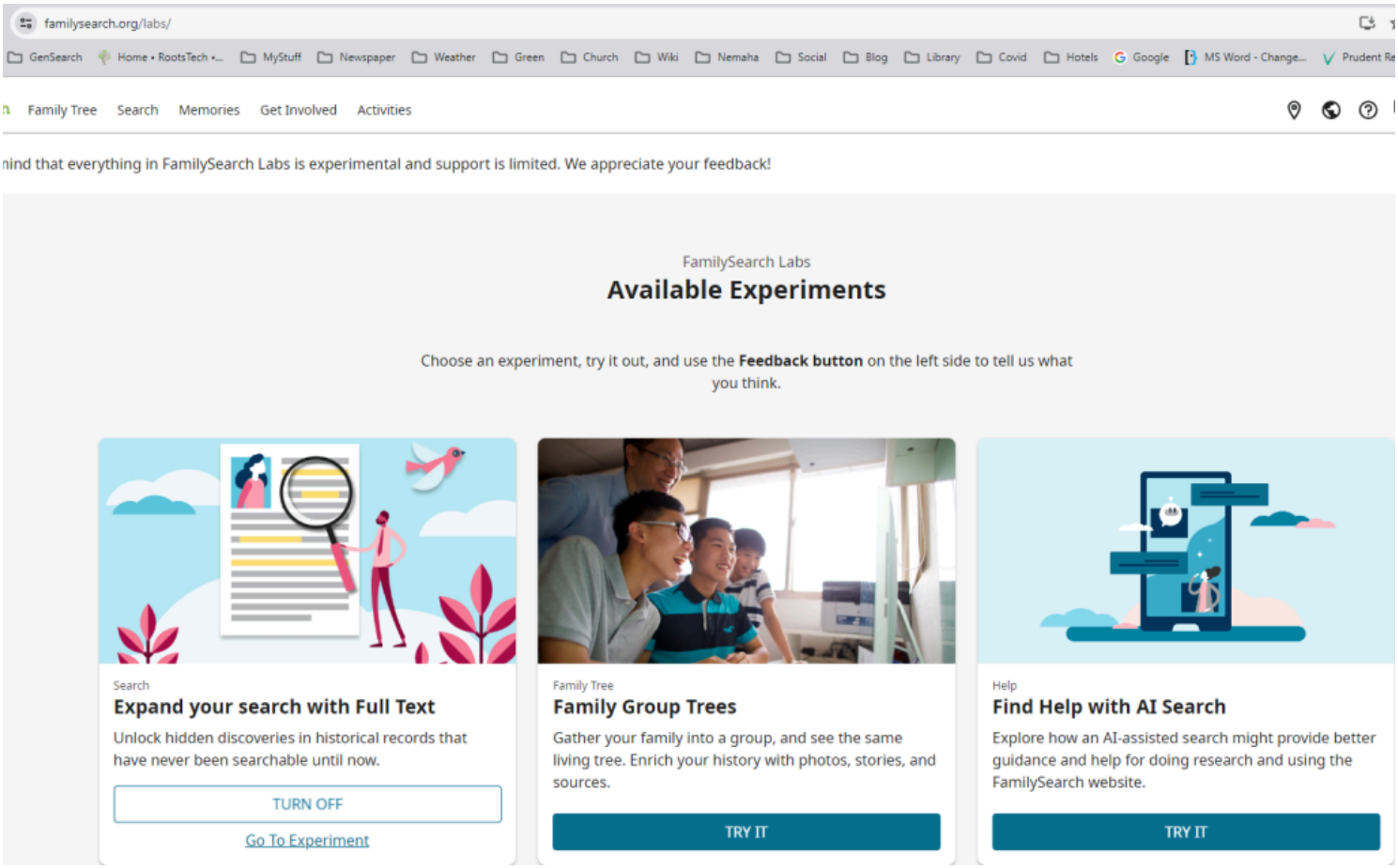
- Did My Family Get Skipped? Mining Census Records for Missing Ancestors — Nicole Gilkison LaRue
- You Can Do the DNA #2 – Get Your Best Ethnicity Estimate – Diahan Southard
- General Session 2
- You Can Do the DNA #3 – Light Your DNA Match List on Fire! – Diahan Southard
- Brick Walls! Real? Or Created through Faulty Research – Barbara Vines Little
- Getting the Most Out of United States Census Records – Julie Merrill
- You Can Do the DNA #4 – See What DNA Success Looks Like: Real Case Studies – Diahann Southard
- A Pro’s Take on Preserving Your Story with FamilySearch – Jimmer and Whitney Fredette
- General Session 3
- Unexpected Treasures: Family History in the American State Papers – Judy G. Russell
- What’s in a Name? DNA, Surnames and One-Name Studies – Debbie Kenentt

Labs – Experimental Search

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 4, 2024
FamilySearch

If you haven't heard yet, FamilySearch's new feature, Experimental Search, is available. Experimental Search will search every U.S. deed and probate record in the FamilySearch collection. While free to use, it does require one to be logged into a FamilySearch account.

To access this tool, go to familysearch.org/labs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nind that everything in FamilySearch Labs is experimental and support is limited. We appreciate your feedback!
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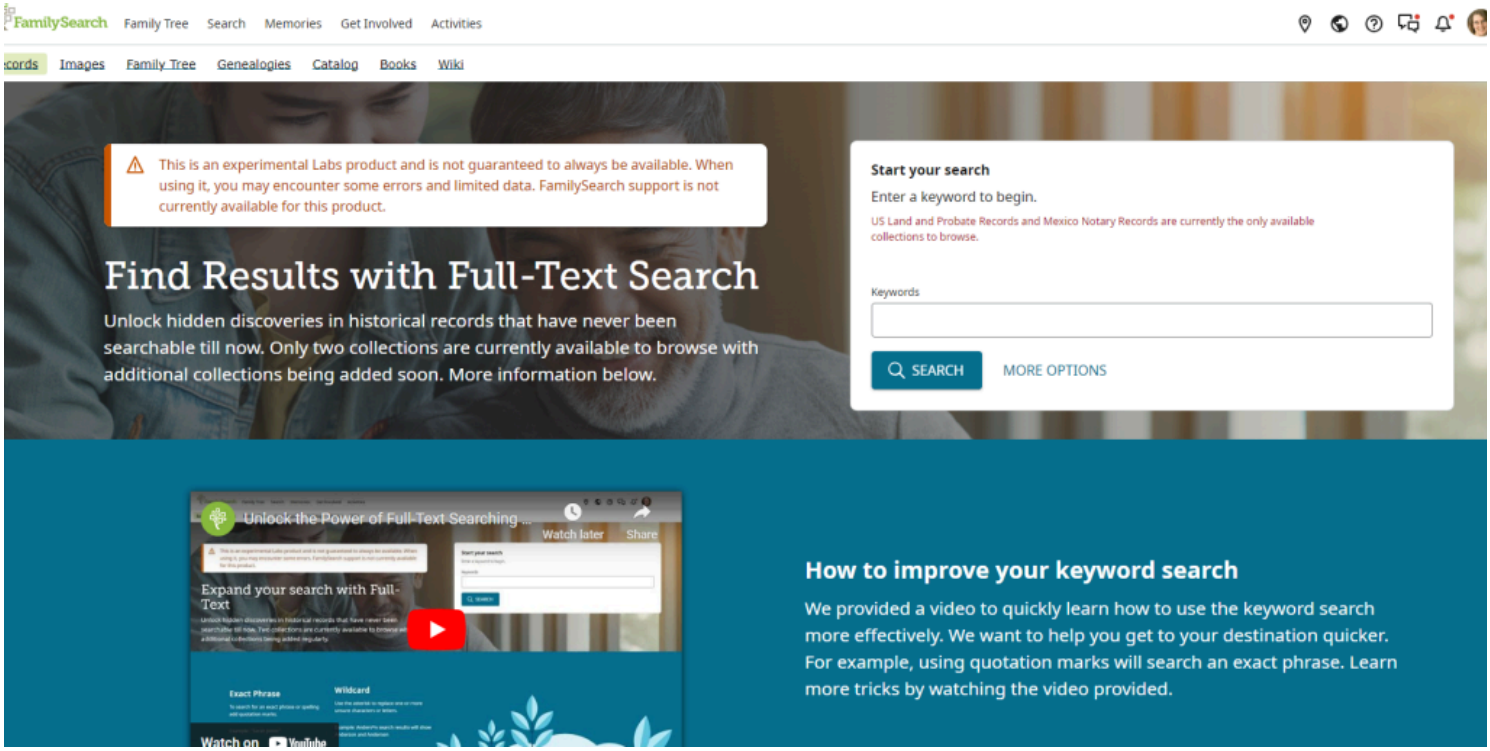
Choose an experiment, try it out, and use the Feedback button on the left side to tell us what you think.
Search
Expand your search with Full Text
Unlock hidden discoveries in historical records that have never been searchable until now.
TURN OFF
Go To Experiment
Family Tree
Family Group Trees
Gather your family into a group, and see the same living tree. Enrich your history with photos, stories, and sources.
TRY IT
Help
Find Help with AI Search
Explore how an AI-assisted search might provide better guidance and help for doing research and using the FamilySearch website.
TRY IT

Currently, the Experimental Search Feature is shown in the 'Expand your search with Full Text' graphic. Clicking on 'Go to Experiment' will open the search page.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This is an experimental Labs product and is not guaranteed to always be available. When using it, you may encounter some errors and limited data. FamilySearch support is not currently available for this product.
Find Results with Full-Text Search
Unlock hidden discoveries in historical records that have never been searchable till now. Only two collections are currently available to browse with additional collections being added soon. More information below.
Start your search
Enter a keyword to begin.
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Watch later
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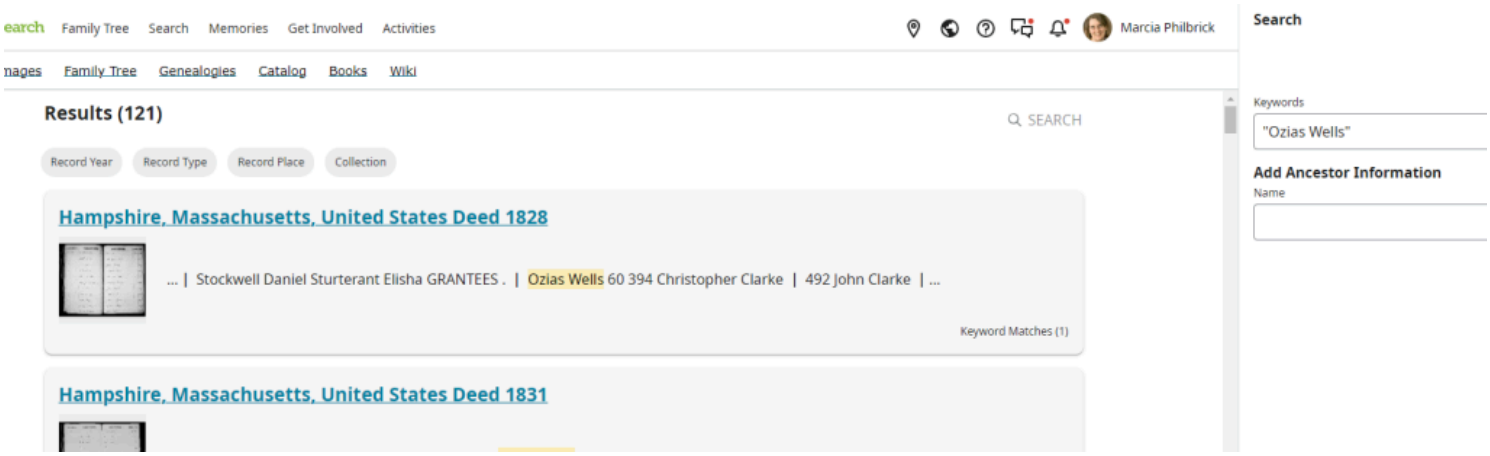
Expand your search with Full-Text
Exact Phrase
Wildcard
Watch on YouTube
How to improve your keyword search
We provided a video to quickly learn how to use the keyword search more effectively. We want to help you get to your destination quicker. For example, using quotation marks will search an exact phrase. Learn more tricks by watching the video provided.

While playing with this tool, I searched for Ozias Wells in the KEYWORD box. Note that I put quotes around Ozias Wells. This tells the computer that I want the two words next to each other. Without the quotes, the computer will work for the word Ozias and the word Wells in the same document. Thus, it could pull a record for someone with the name Ozias that discusses wells (as in a water well).



Of these 121 results, I can use the filters to narrow down the results.

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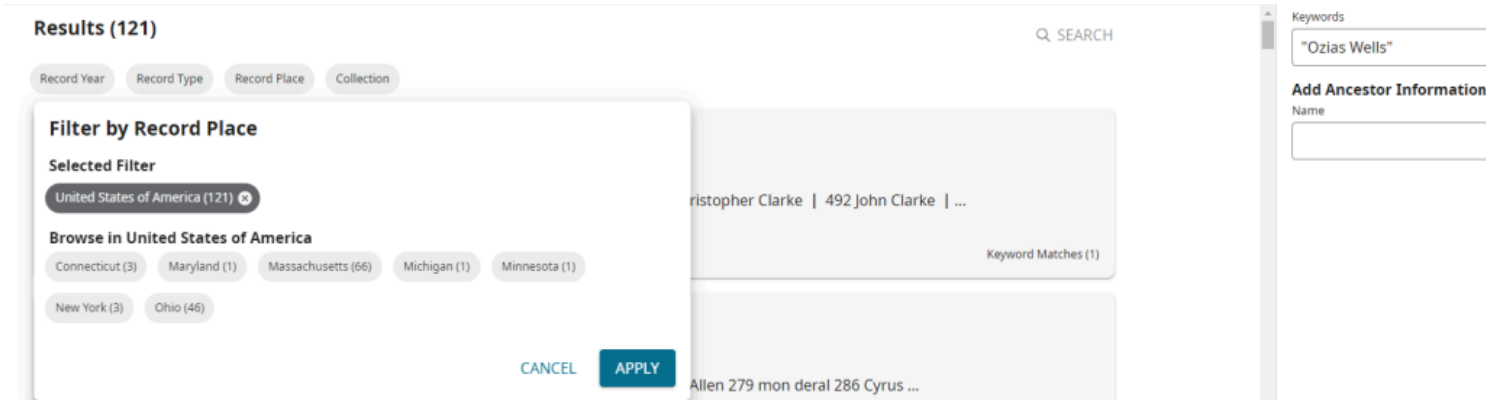
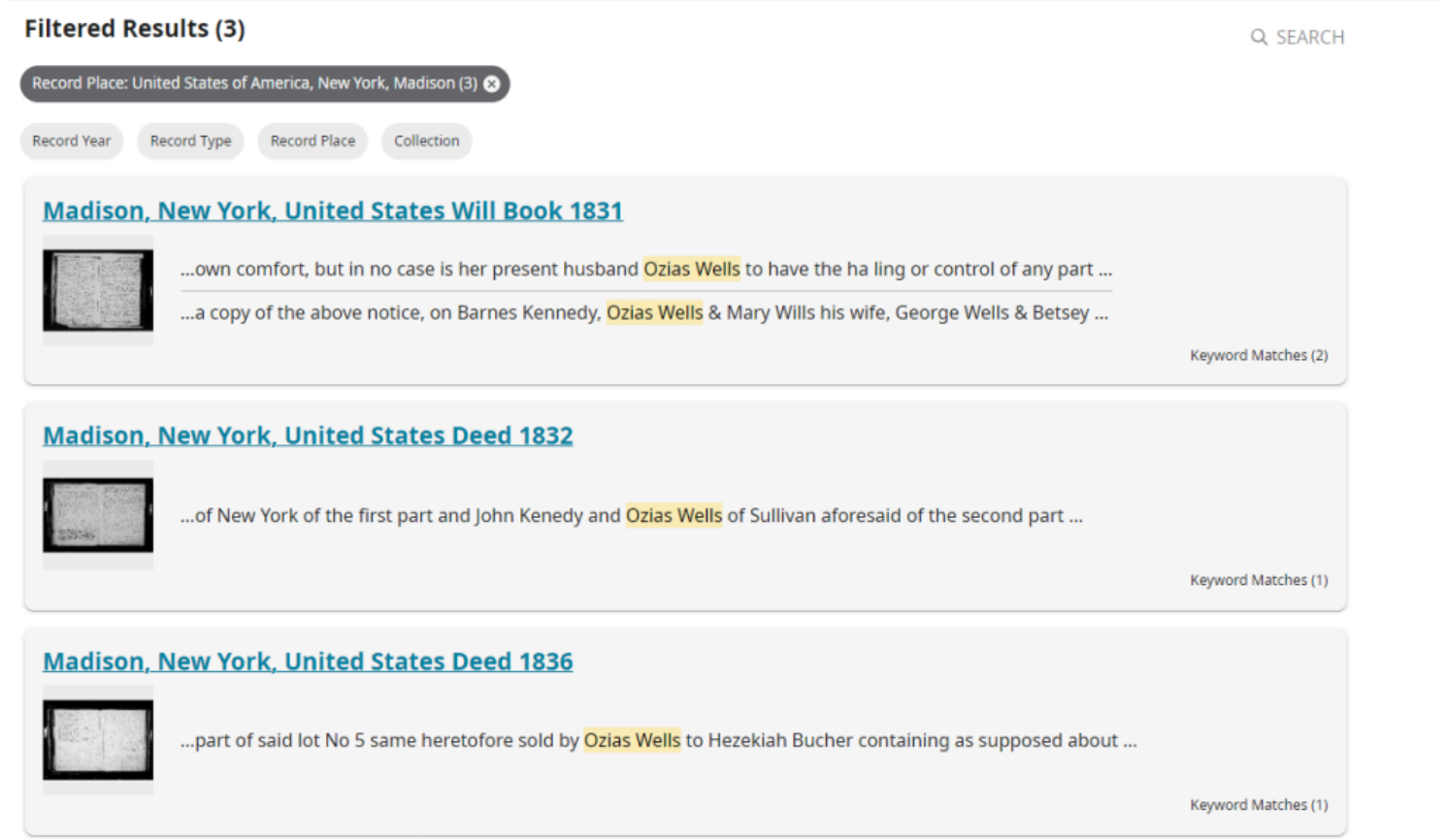
Filter Place

If I click on United States of America, it reveals the various states where the records are found.

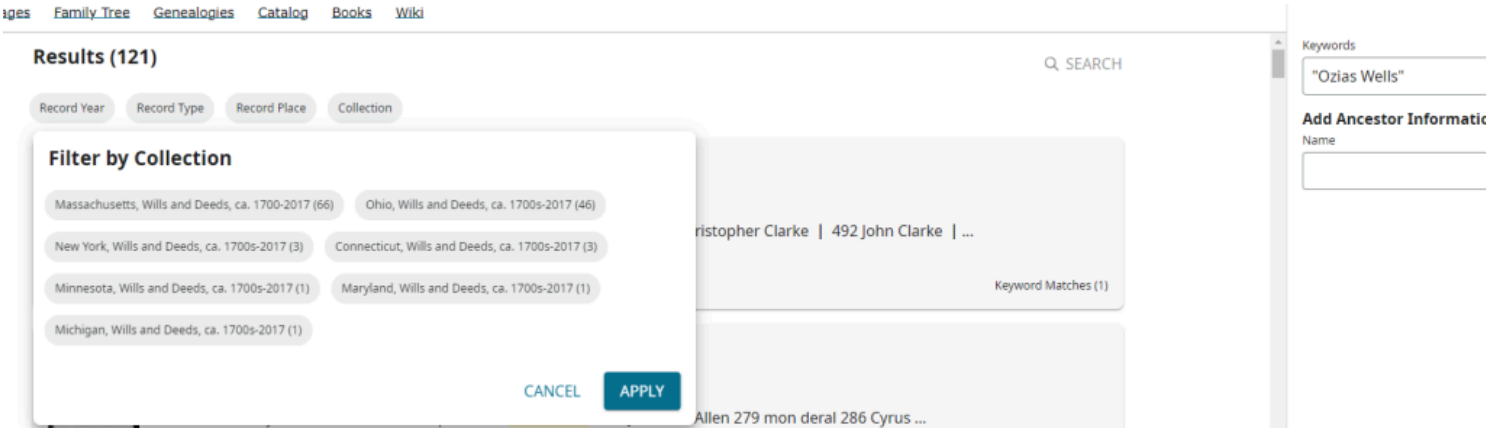


If I click on the state, it tells us counties where the records are found. This would allow me to narrow the results to a specific county.

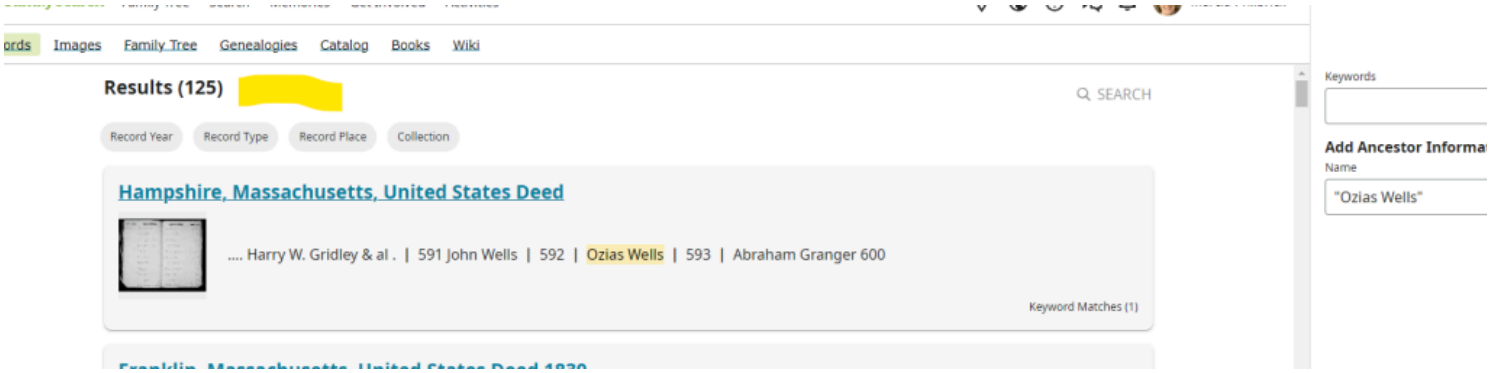

Filtered Results (3)
SEARCH
Record Place: United States of America, New York, Madison (3)
Record Year
Record Type
Record Place
Collection
Madison, New York, United States Will Book 1831
...own comfort, but in no case is her present husband Ozias Wells to have the ha ling or control of any part ...
...a copy of the above notice, on Barnes Kennedy, Ozias Wells & Mary Wills his wife, George Wells & Betsey ...
Keyword Matches (2)
Madison, New York, United States Deed 1832
...of New York of the first part and John Kenedy and Ozias Wells of Sullivan aforesaid of the second part ...
Keyword Matches (1)
Madison, New York, United States Deed 1836
...part of said lot No 5 same heretofore sold by Ozias Wells to Hezekiah Bucher containing as supposed about ...
Keyword Matches (1)

Thus, In a matter of minutes, I found the will of John Kennedy that names his son-in-law, Ozias Wells along with two deeds involving Ozias Wells.

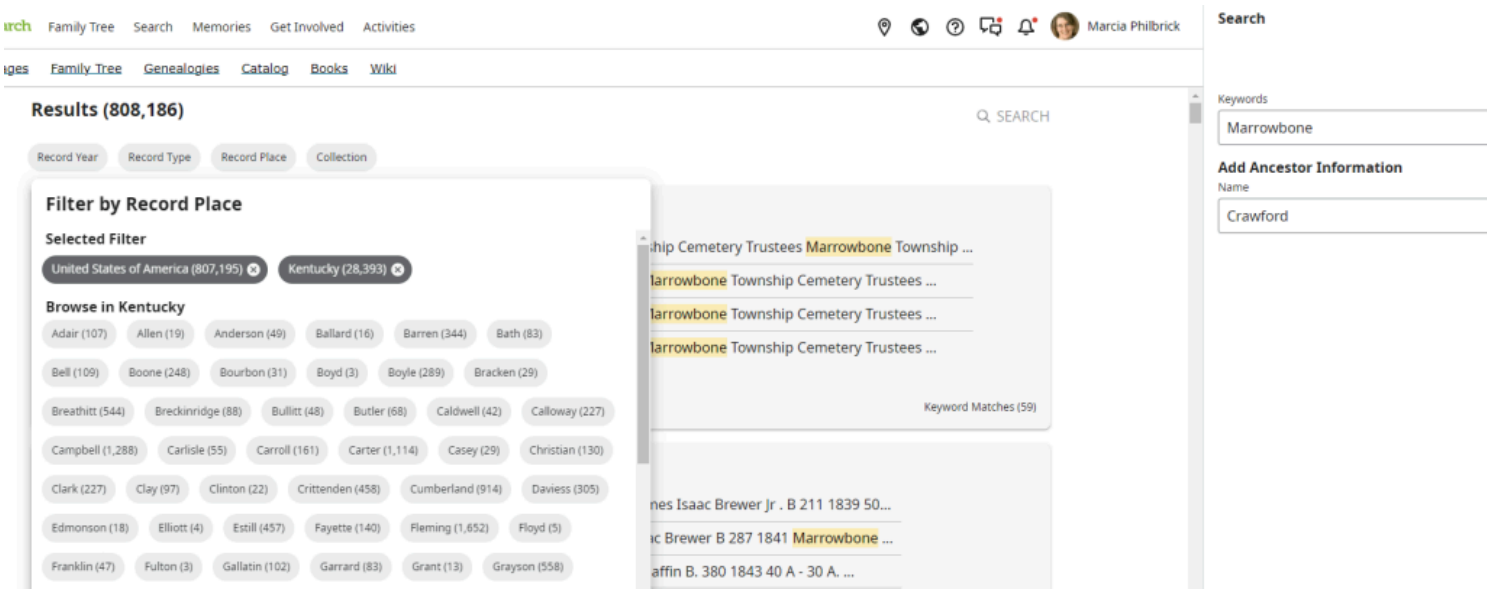
Another way to filter these results is by the collection.



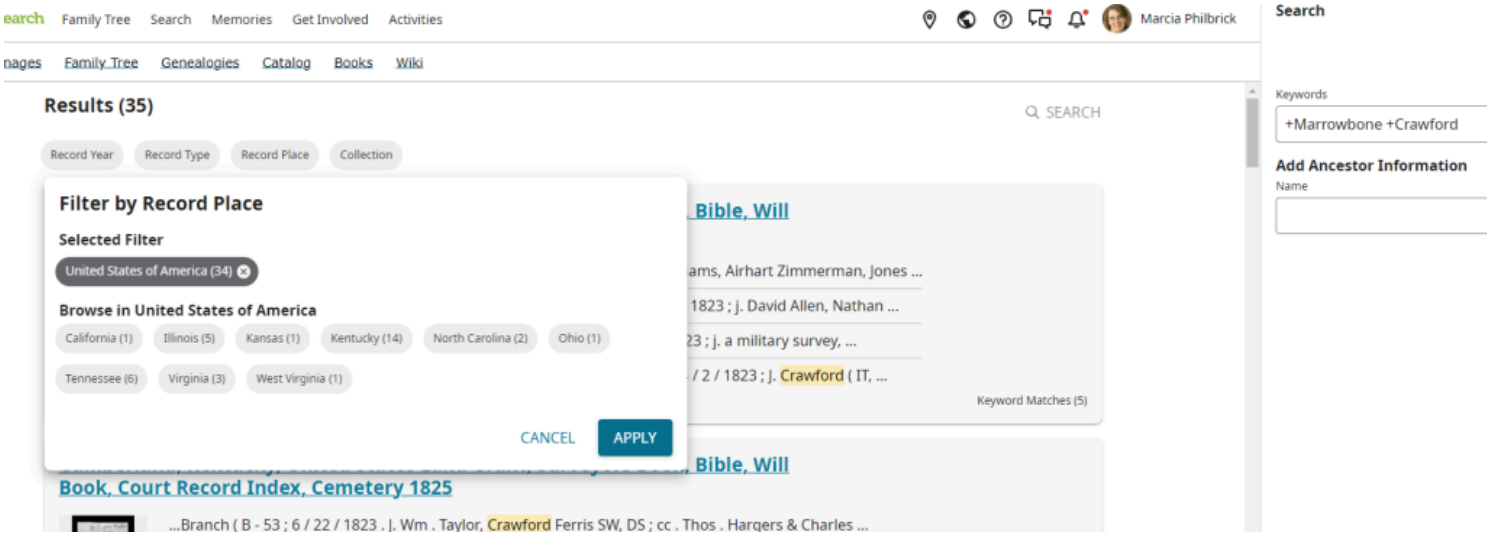
If I put “Ozias Wells” in the NAME box instead of the Keyword box, I get 125 results. Theoretically, the number of results should be the same. Since the number is (currently) not the same, one would likely need to search both ways.



Since I'm still looking for a deed invovling a James Crawford for 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone, I thought I'd try this new search feature to see what I could find. I started by putting Crawford in the name box and Marrowbone in the Keyword box.



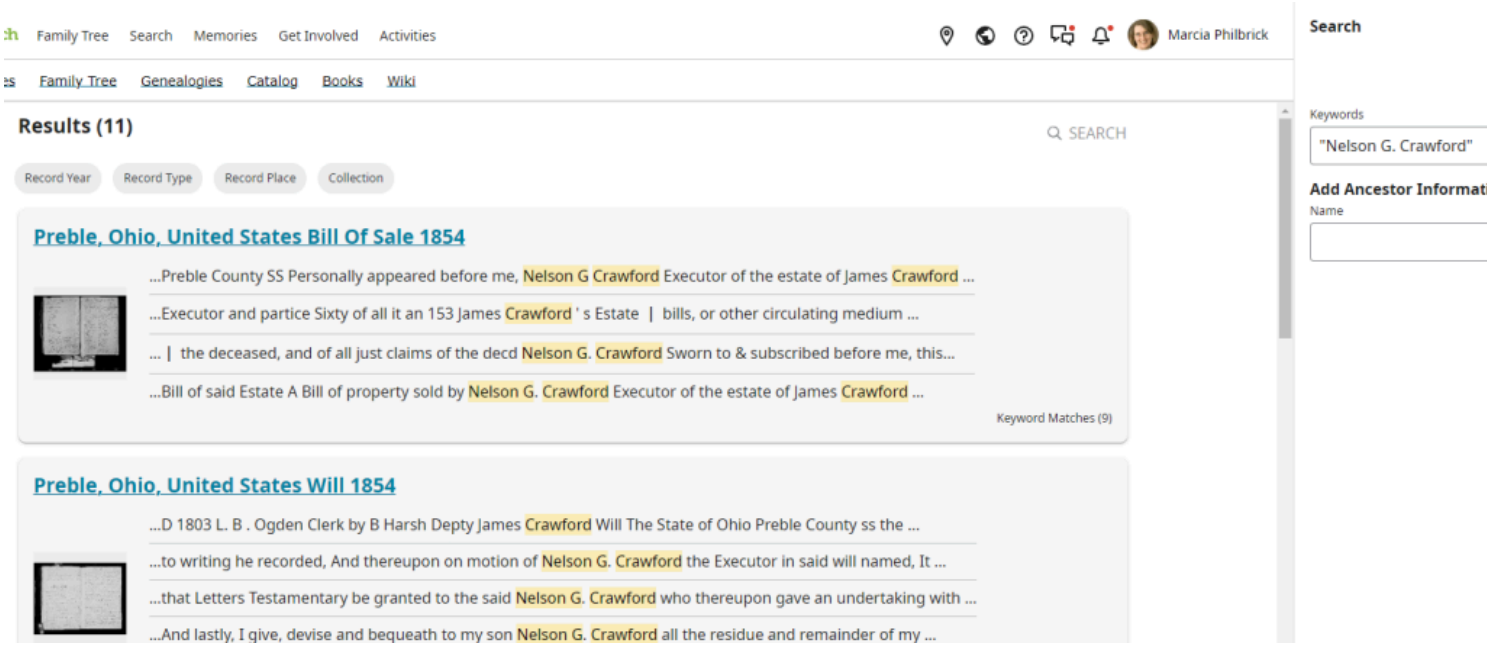
After filtering for just Kentucky, I still had a ton of result. Looking at some of those results revealed that the computer did an OR search. In other words, it looked for the word Crawford or the word Marrowbone. Since I want both words in the document, I changed the search and tried searching for the following: Crawford and Marrowbone. Unfortunately, this found even more records. I'm guessing it looked for the word *Crawford* OR the word *And* OR the word *Marrowbone* instead of both of the words Crawford and Marrowbone in one document. To get around this issue, I tried a search for the following: +Crawford +Marrowbone. The plus sign tells the computer that the word has to appear in the document. Thus, I told the computer that I want both words Crawford and Marrowbone in the same document.



The 14 records in Kentucky are for land on the Marrowbone with Crawford as one of the names in the document. Unfortunately, I think the deed I am looking for was likely recorded in a county where the courthouse burned. However, I will

have to work thru these results before I can determine that this is a negative search.

While experimenting with this tool, I searched for “Nelson G. Crawford”, a third great grandfather.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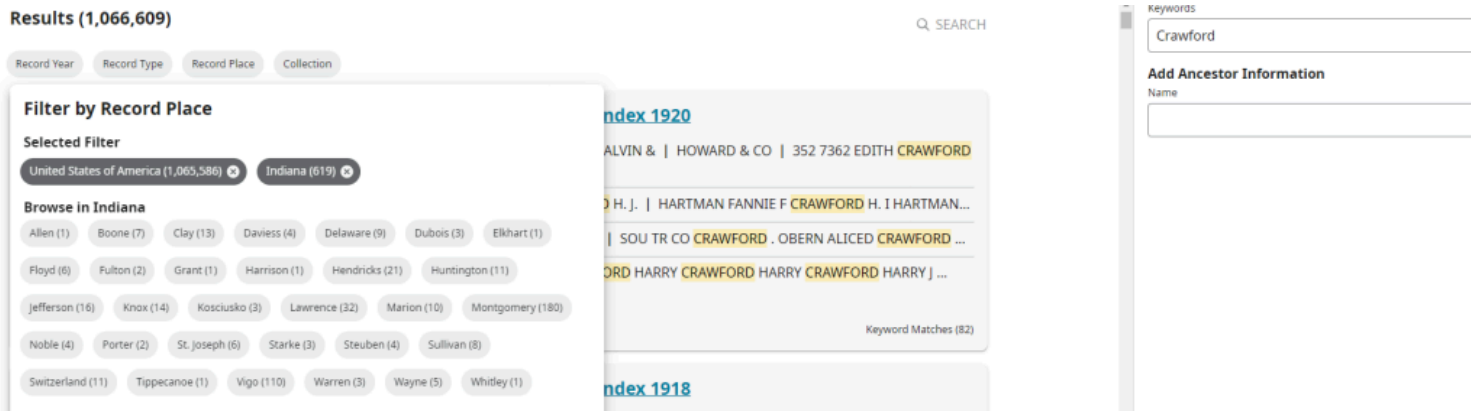
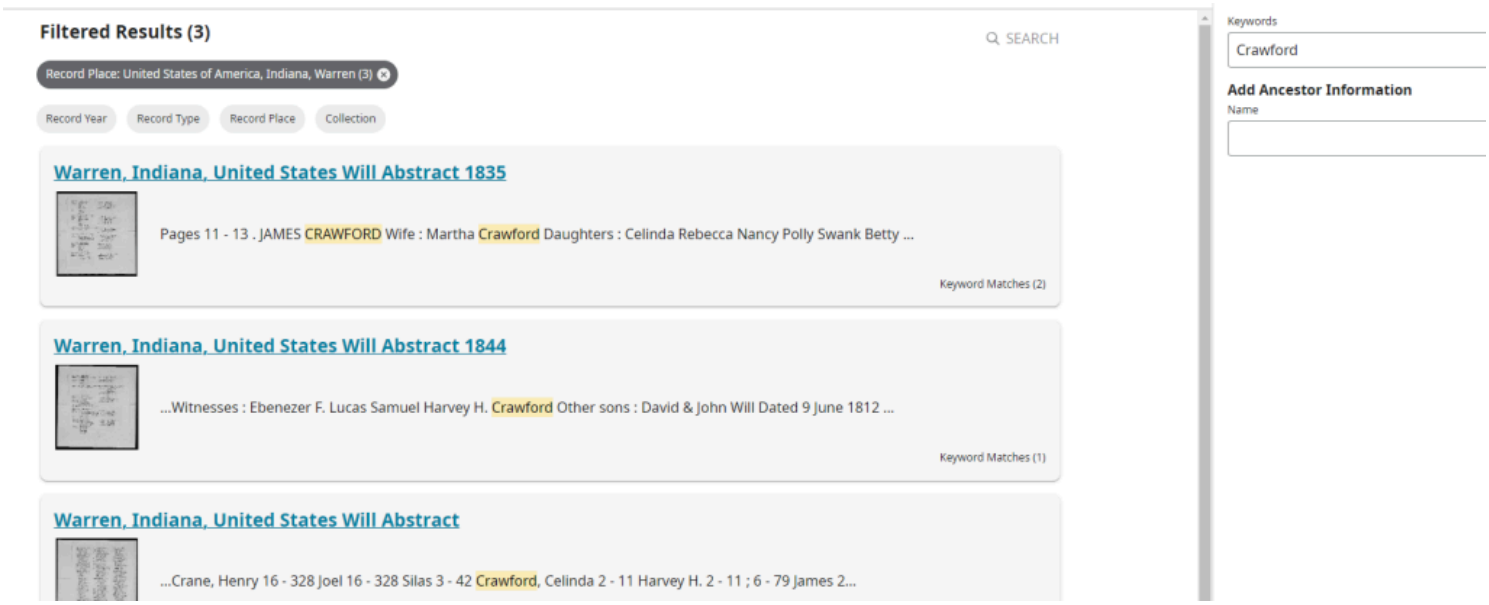
Results (11)
SEARCH
Record Year
Record Type
Record Place
Collection
Preble, Ohio, United States Bill Of Sale 1854
...Preble County SS Personally appeared before me, Nelson G Crawford Executor of the estate of James Crawford ...
...Executor and partice Sixty of all it an 153 James Crawford ' s Estate | bills, or other circulating medium ...
... | the deceased, and of all just claims of the decd Nelson G. Crawford Sworn to & subscribed before me, this...
...Bill of said Estate A Bill of property sold by Nelson G. Crawford Executor of the estate of James Crawford ...
Keyword Matches (9)
Preble, Ohio, United States Will 1854
...D 1803 L. B . Ogden Clerk by B Harsh Depty James Crawford Will The State of Ohio Preble County ss the ...
...to writing he recorded, And thereupon on motion of Nelson G. Crawford the Executor in said will named, It ...
...that Letters Testamentary be granted to the said Nelson G. Crawford who thereupon gave an undertaking with ...
...And lastly, I give, devise and bequeath to my son Nelson G. Crawford all the residue and remainder of my ...
Search
Keywords
"Nelson G. Crawford"
Add Ancestor Informat
Name

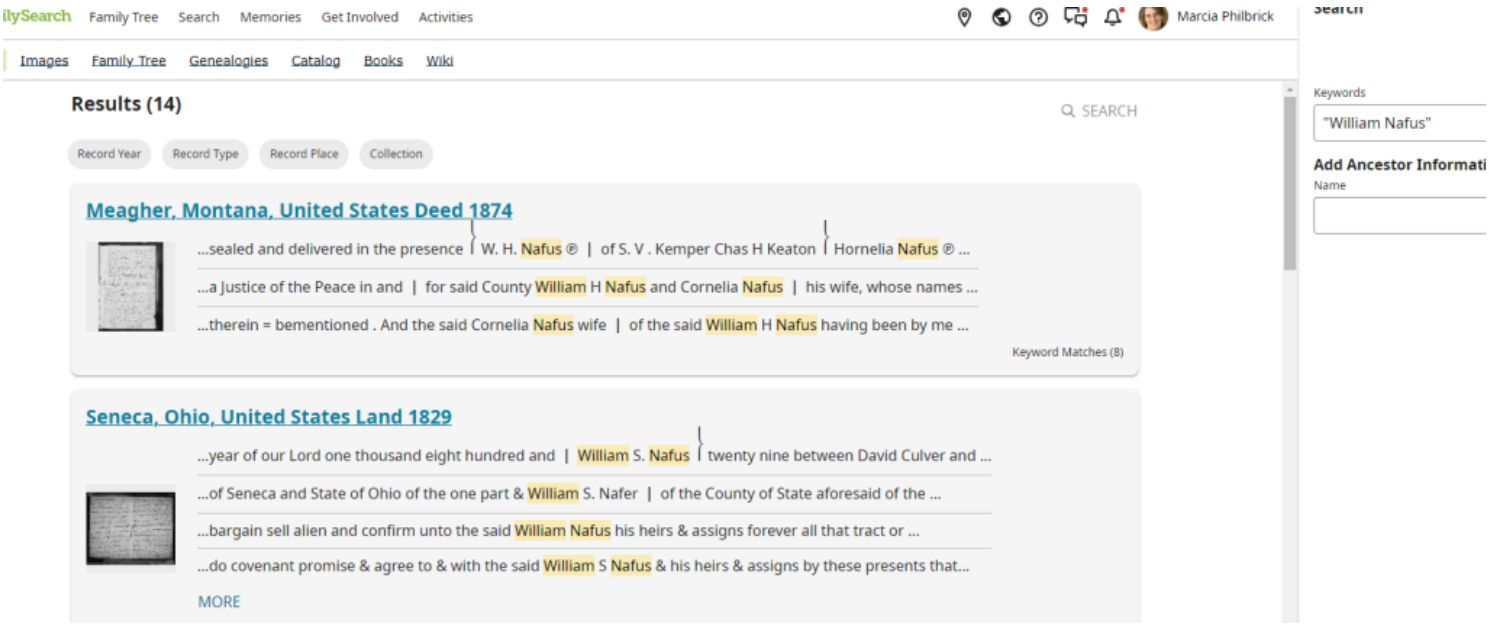
While this pulled up 11 results, none of them are in Warren County, Indiana. In order to pull up any Indiana records, I had to search for Crawford instead of for Nelson Crawford.



Surprisingly, the search for CRAWFORD only pulled up 3 results for Warren County. In addition, these results only included wills. No land records were retrieved even though they are on the FamilySearch site. Since there are descendants of two James Crawford lines living in Warren County, Indiana since 1830, I expected more results.


Filtered Results (3)
SEARCH
Record Place: United States of America, Indiana, Warren (3)
Record Year
Record Type
Record Place
Collection
Warren, Indiana, United States Will Abstract 1835
Pages 11 - 13 . JAMES CRAWFORD Wife : Martha Crawford Daughters : Celinda Rebecca Nancy Polly Swank Betty ...
Keyword Matches (2)
Warren, Indiana, United States Will Abstract 1844
...Witnesses : Ebenezer F. Lucas Samuel Harvey H. Crawford Other sons : David & John Will Dated 9 June 1812 ...
Keyword Matches (1)
Warren, Indiana, United States Will Abstract
...Crane, Henry 16 - 328 Joel 16 - 328 Silas 3 - 42 Crawford, Celinda 2 - 11 Harvey H. 2 - 11 ; 6 - 79 James 2...
Keywords
Crawford
Add Ancestor Information
Name

While my searches for the Marrowbone land and Warren county records were a little disappointing, I did a search for William Nafus, fourth great grandfather.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Results (14)
SEARCH
Record Year
Record Type
Record Place
Collection
Meagher, Montana, United States Deed 1874
...sealed and delivered in the presence | W. H. Nafus ℗ | of S. V . Kemper Chas H Keaton | Hornelia Nafus ℗ ...
...a Justice of the Peace in and | for said County William H Nafus and Cornelia Nafus | his wife, whose names ...
...therein = bementioned . And the said Cornelia Nafus wife | of the said William H Nafus having been by me ...
Keyword Matches (8)
Seneca, Ohio, United States Land 1829
...year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and | William S. Nafus | twenty nine between David Culver and ...
...of Seneca and State of Ohio of the one part & William S. Nafer | of the County of State aforesaid of the ...
...bargain sell alien and confirm unto the said William Nafus his heirs & assigns forever all that tract or ...
...do covenant promise & agree to & with the said William S Nafus & his heirs & assigns by these presents that...
MORE
Keywords
"William Nafus"
Add Ancestor Informati
Name

Of these 14 results, without even reading the deed I'm fairly certain, the second one in Seneca county, Ohio is for my ancestor. But that first deed also looks interesting and I doubt I'd have ever looked in Montana for Nafus records.

Check out this powerful tool for yourself and see what you can find!

Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 5, 2024
Nemaha County,WWII

Ralph Allen

Courier Tribune
5 Feb 1942
page 6

Corning
Ralph Allen and Richard Randel went to Topeka Monday to enlist in the army. They were accepted. Ralph returned home as he will not be needed until Mar. first. He will join the air corps. Richard wen ton to Leavenworth, where he will join the medical corps. Ralph has two brothers in the army: Walter is at Camp San Luis Obispo, California, Eldon is stationed at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen.

Corning Gazette
11 Feb 1943
page 1

T/Cpl Ralph Allen of Camp Cooke, California came home Monday , on furlough, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen and family. He will return to camp Thursday.

Corning Gazette
9 Dec 1943
page 1

Cpl. Ralph Allen came Monday to spend his furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen and family.

Courier Tribune
23 Dec 1943
page 6

Corning
Cpl. Ralph Allen has returned to his camp in Pennsylvania after spending part of his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen.

Courier Tribune
27 Mar 1944
page 6

Corning
Ralph Allen wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen, of his safe arrival in England. His address may be obtained from his parents.

Courier Tribune
20 Nov 1944
page 1

Services Sunday for Ralph Allen

Army Technician Lost Life in Germany

Services for T/5 Ralph W. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen, Corning, will be held at two 0’clock Sunday afternoon in Corning. A military service will be conduced after church rites, at the Corning cemetery. by members of the American Legion. The remains will arrive in Corning, Saturday.

Ralph lost his life December 14, 1944 in Western Germany where he was serving with the 34th tank battalion. He was 22 years old at the time of his death. He had been interred in the Henri Chapelle cemetery in Belgium and was recently brought from overseas.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Rusche, Seneca, are uncle and aunt of Ralph.

Courier Tribune
15 Mar 1945
page 6

Corning

Memorial services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the United Brethern church for Ralph Allen T-5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen. Rev. L. A. Stone will give the address. There will be special music. The American Legion will have a part. Ralph Allen was killed in Germany and was buried in Belgium.

Courier Tribune
22 Mar 1945
page 6

Corning
Memorial services were held Sunday March 18 in the United Brethern Church in Corning at 2:30 o'clock in memory of Ralph Wayne Allen. Rev. C. Z. Allsbury, pastor of the Methodist Church read the scripture. Rev. T. C. Cocks, Centralia, gave the prayer. Rev. L. A. Stone, pastor of the church gave the address. Appropriate music was furnished by the quartet: Mrs. Frank Hannum, Mrs. Frank Steele, Mrs. Willis Dabner, Miss Bertha Snodgrass with Miss Jessie Rundel accompanist. "Some Day He'll Make It Plain" was sung as a solo, and chorus. Mrs. Hannum was soloist. "America" was sung by the Congregation. Mrs. Steel as soloist sang "Invictus." Rev. Stone read the obituary. The American Legion conducted the ritual services. Jesse Bradley was the commandant officer. D.r S. M. Myers chaplain. Frank Hannum and B. J. Clemens, were other Legionnaires who had parts. Will Crandall was color bearer. Mrs. B. J. Clemens also took part as a member of the Auxiliary. The American Legion and Auxiliary sat in a body. Legionnaires also attended form Goff. Dr. S. M. Myers presented the American Flag to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen.
Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Reaser and son, Larry and Miss Dorothea Alexander, Topeka; Frank Rusche Seneca, were among those form a distance who attended the memorial services for Ralph Allen.
Ralph Allen
Ralph Wayne Allen, fifth child and fourth son of Alva and Freda Allen was born April 23, 1922 near Corning, Kansas, and had lived here all his life until he entered Military Service. He attended grade and high schools of Corning and graduated with the class of 1940.
He volunteered for Military Service in February and was inducted in March 1942. He was sent to Camp Cooke, California and became a member of the 34th Tank Battalion of the 5th Armored Division and attained the rank of Technician Fifth Grade. He trained at this camp and was in Desert Maneuvers in California, then in Tennessee and later was stationed at Pine Camp, New York for about six months. About Feb. 1, 1944 they were moved to Indiantown Gap, Penn., and in a few weeks were sent overseas to England. Shortly after the invasion, they were in the thickest of it, part of the leading armored army through France and into Luxembourg and Belgium. It was during an attack on the enemy in Western Germany that Ralph was killed in action of December 14, 1944.
Word was received in Corning on December 31, and later, letters from his Captain and also Major General confirming his death and stating that it was instantaneous. Also that he had been given a military burial with services by a Protestant Chaplain and that he was laid to rest in a Military Cemetery in Eastern Belgium.
His parents have received the Purple Heart and letters from his officers praising him for his work as a soldier and friend. Ralph was very proud to be a soldier and was always cheerful and hopeful of the outcome. His death is a crushing blow, the first break in the family of six sons and one daughter.
He leaves to mourn, the parents, one sister, Mrs. Velma Reaser, Topeka; Marvin Allen, Tacoma, Wash.; Sgt. Eldon L. Allen, Alaska; Sgt. Walter Allen in Germany; Pvt Harold Dean Allen, somewhere in France; Rollin Allen of the home. Also two nephews, Larry Allen Reaser and Glen Allen and one niece, Sylvia Jane Allen, all of whom he was very fond.
Ralph was 22 years, seven months and 2 days old at the time of his death.

The Courier Tribune
27 Oct 1947
page 1

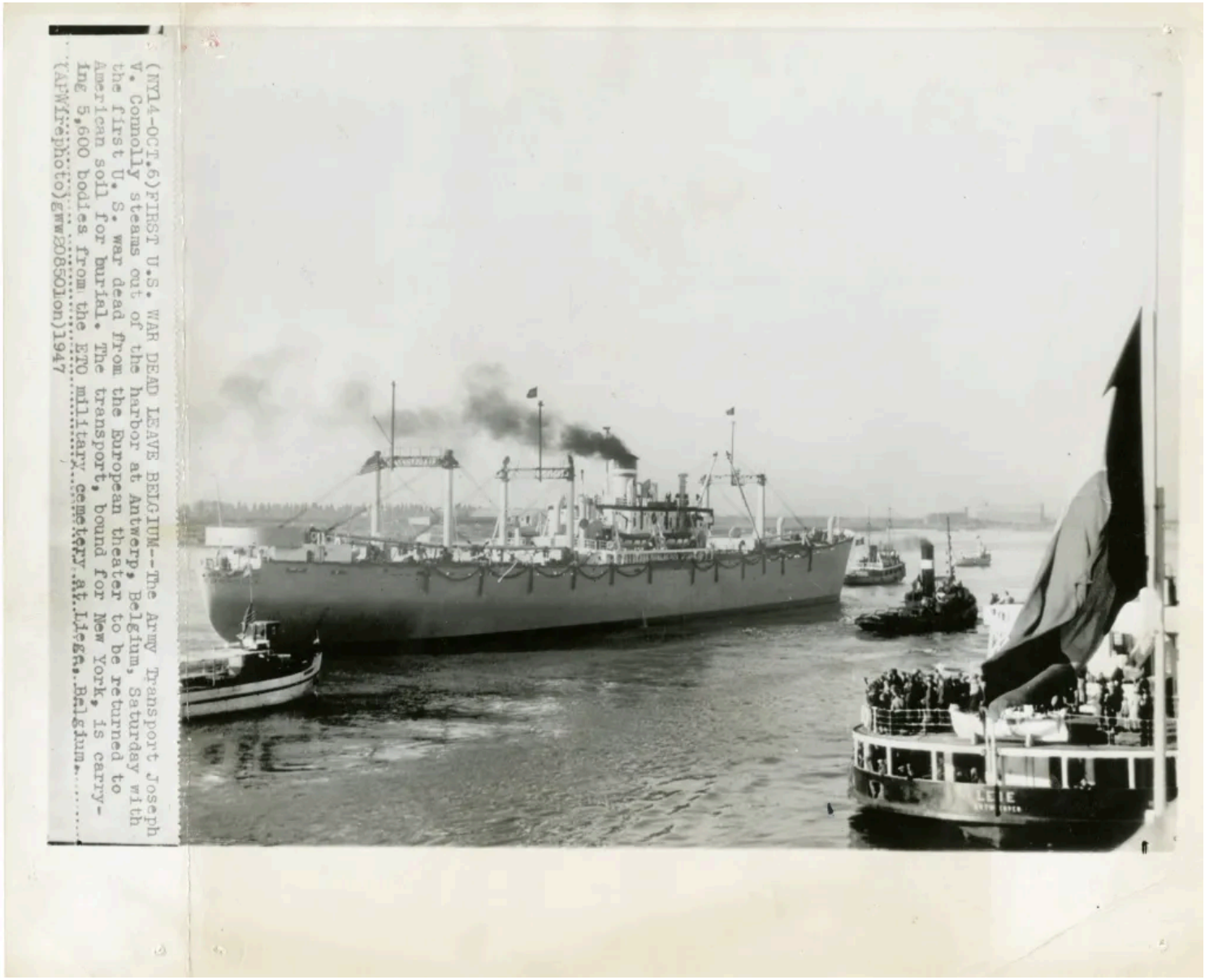
Two from County in War Dead Home

Aboard Transport that Landed Yesterday

The United States army transport, Joseph V. Connolly, arrived at New York harbor yesterday with the bodies of some 6300 war dead.

Among those honored dead being returned to their native land are Ralph Allen of Corning and Raymond Rokey of Sabetha.

Ralph Allen, Technician 5th, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen of Corning. He was in Co. B of the 34th tank Battalion, 5th Armored Division and died Dec. 14, 1944 in western Germany.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American soil for burial. The transport, bound for New York, is carry-
ing 5,600 bodies from the ETO military cemetery at Liege, Belgium.
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Joseph V. Connolly leaving Antwerp with bodies of U.S. servicement aboard

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Courier Tribune
30 Jun 1949
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Planted Trees as a Living Memorial

The American Legion Auxiliary of Corning, Arthur L. Mills Post 37, has a community project this year, planted four hard maple trees in the school yard as a living memorial to four young men of this community who gave their all for us. Three of the young men were graduates of Corning Rural High School.

Sgt. Eldon Welliever, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Welliever, in service of the army Air Corps, lost his life in a plane crash in China, on September 29, 1944.

Cpl. Ralph Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen, in army service, lost his life while engaged in battle in Western Germany, on December 14, 1944.

Joe Boeding, son of MR. and Mrs. Conrad Boeding, was a Torpedoman first class on the submarine “Trigger,” which was lost in the South Pacific on April 20, 1945.

William Jerome, who lost his life in the service while stationed in Europe is the son of Clifford Jerome, and of Mary Freel

Jerome, now deceased. William's parents were former Corning residents and his father attended Corning High School His mother was reared in the New Eden community. William's body rests in the Corning cemetery beside his mother.

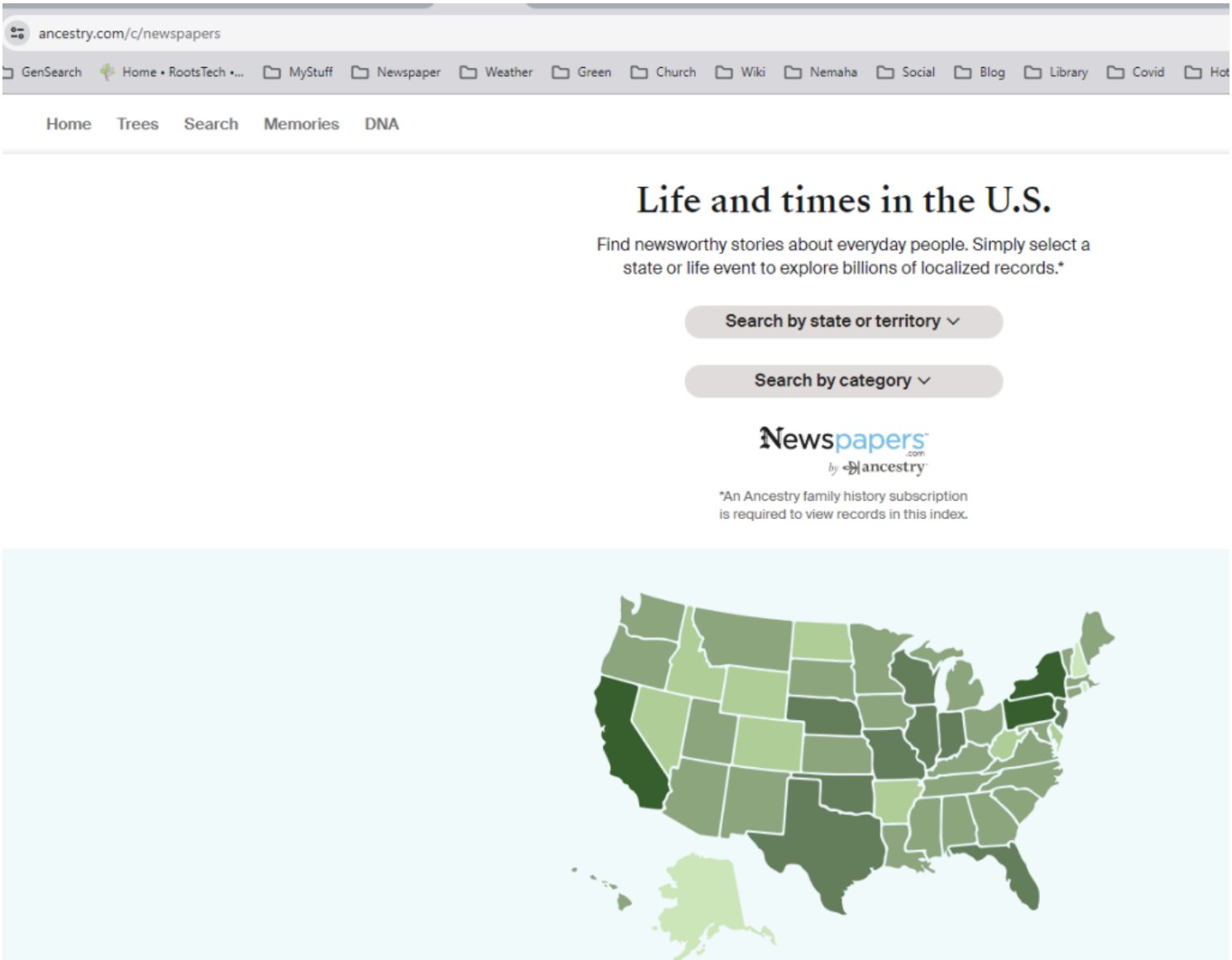
Ancestry Newspapers

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 6, 2024
Ancestry,Newspapers

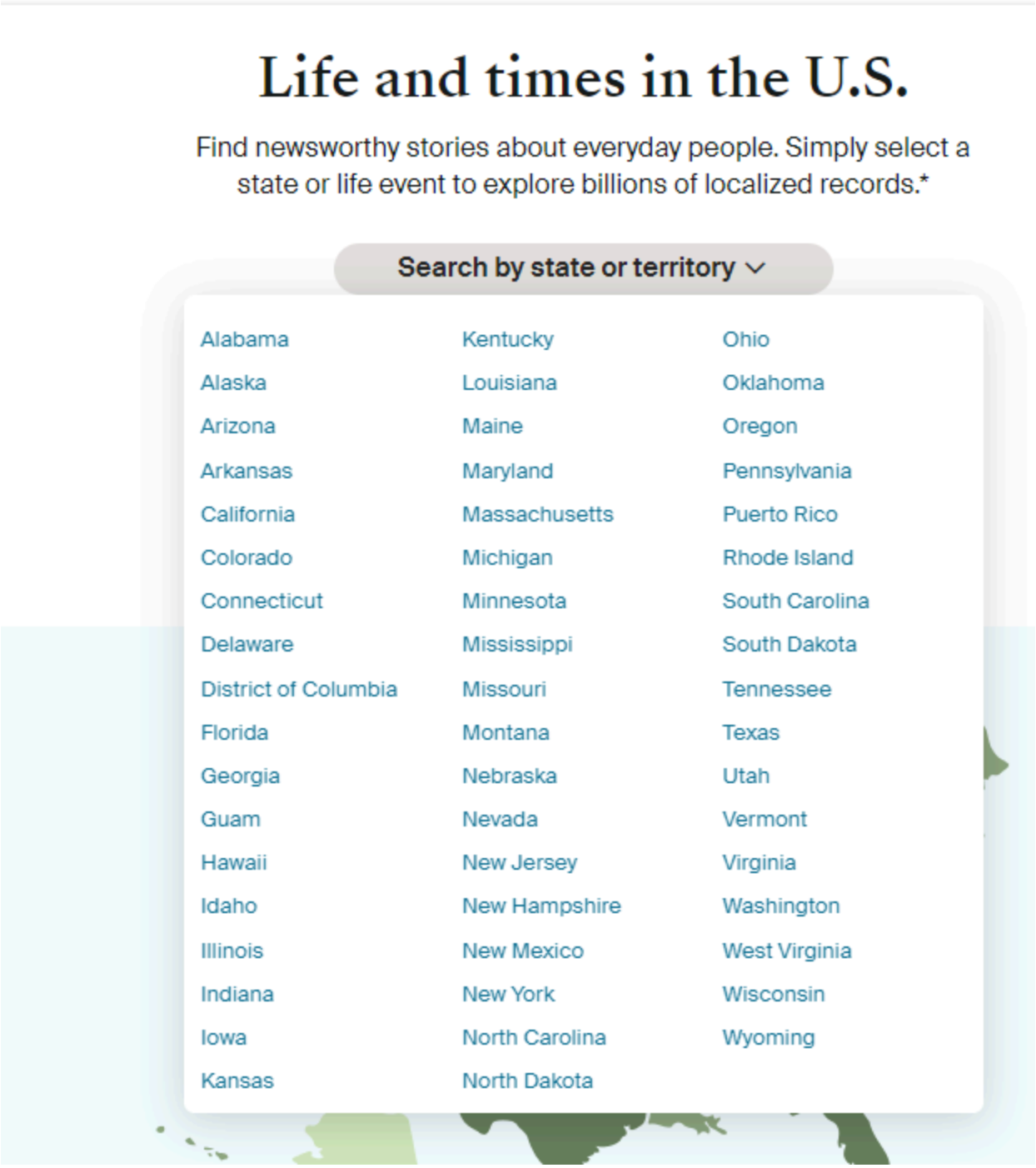
#NotAtRootstech

Did you catch Crista Cowan's 'What's New at Ancestry' session at RootsTech 2024? One of the new features is their use of AI (Artificial Intelligence) to index newspapers. In the past, Ancestry had an index to the obituaries and the marriage announcements found in the newspapers on Newspapers.com. WIth this new technology, the 'gossip' columns are also indexed. Thus, it is possible to find articles about family reunions, births or even Sunday dinners.

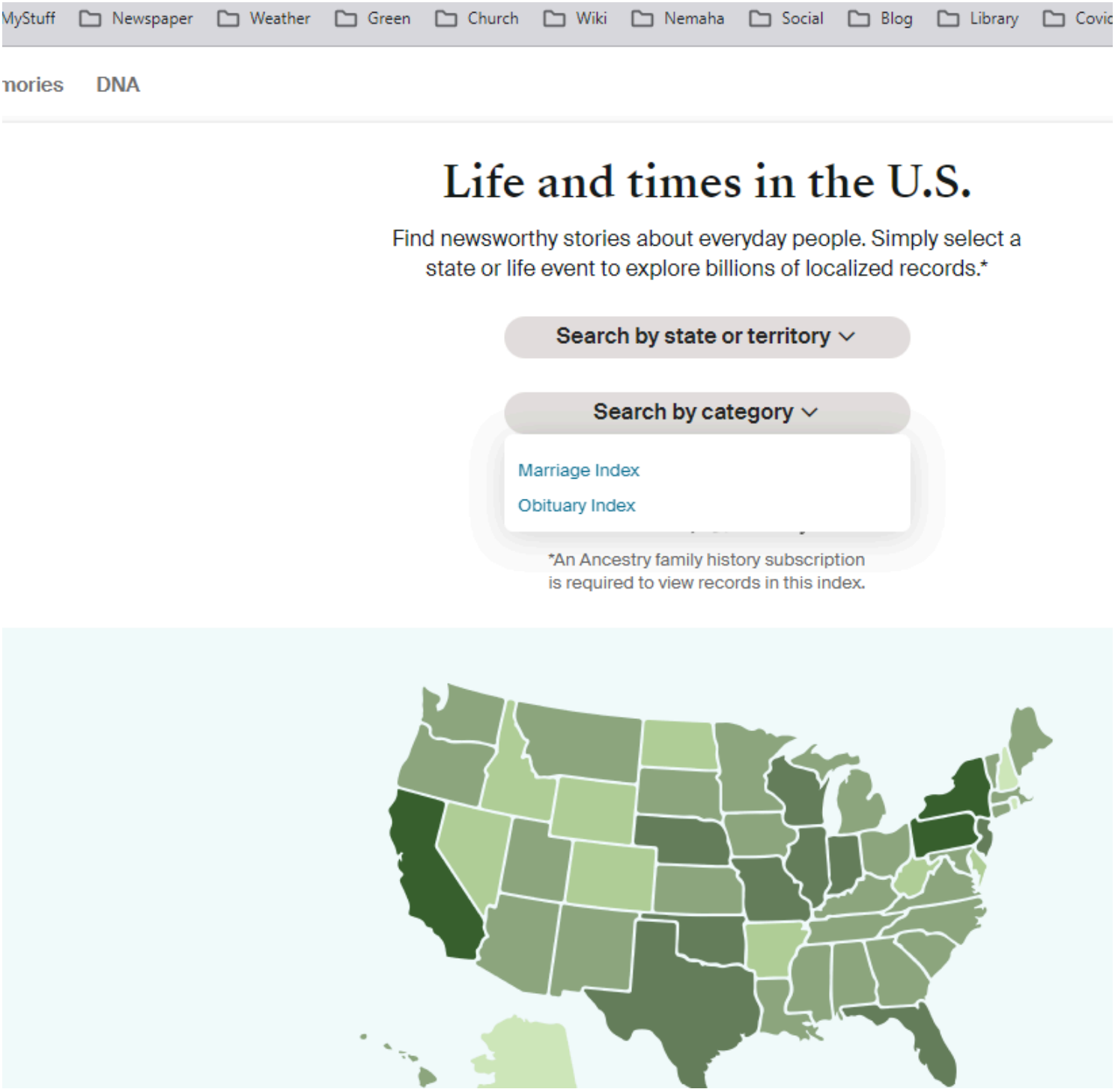
To access this new tool, one has to go to a new URL: ancestry.com/newspapers.



While one might want to click on the map, the pull down 'Search by state or territory' button must be used. When that is clicked on, a list of the states appears.



It is also possible to search the obituaries or marriage records from this page by using the ‘Search by Category’ button.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Find newsworthy stories about everyday people. Simply select a state or life event to explore billions of localized records.*
Search by state or territory
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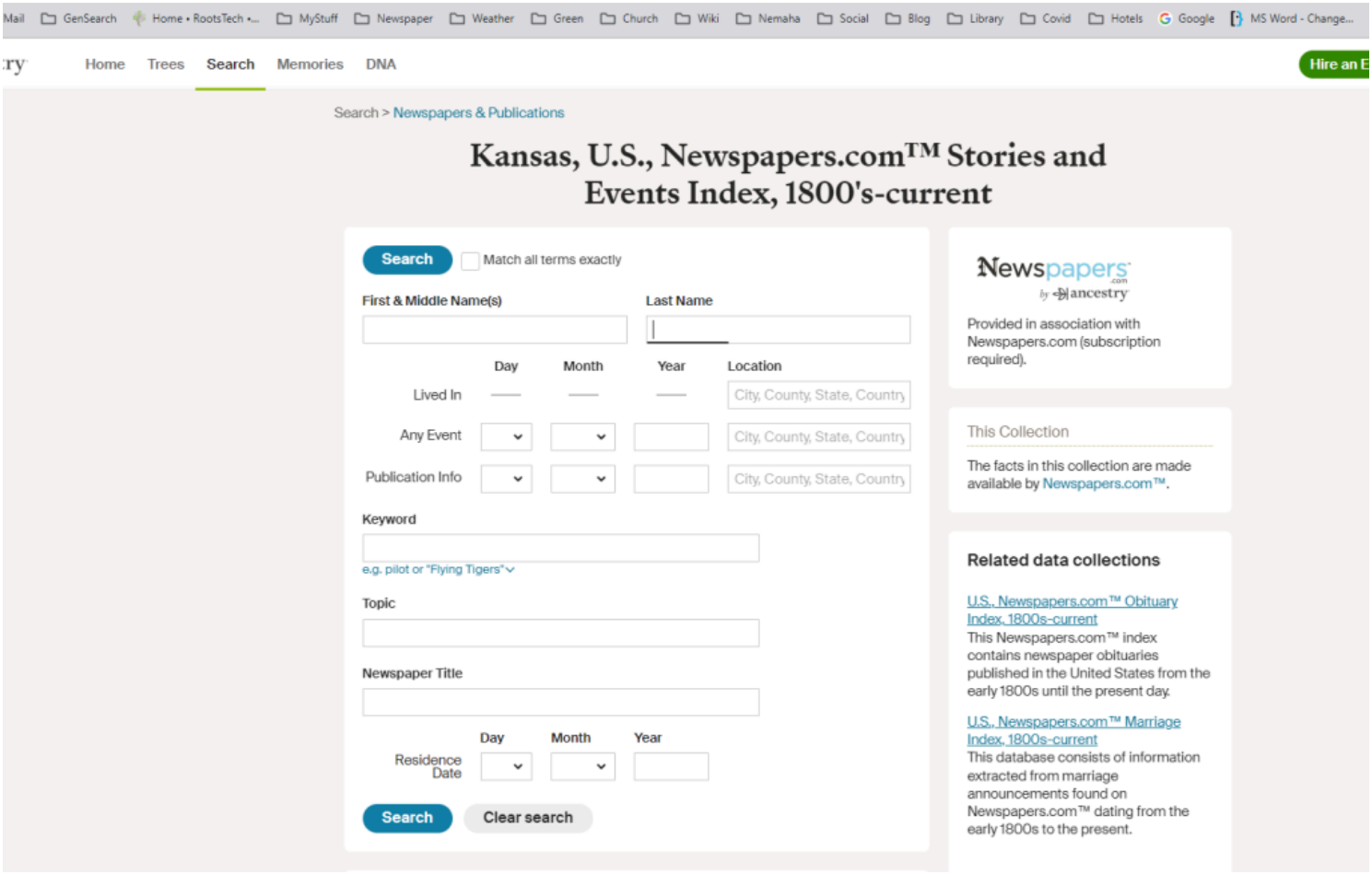
*An Ancestry family history subscription is required to view records in this index.

When I searched by state and clicked on KANSAS, it opened a search box for KANSAS newspapers.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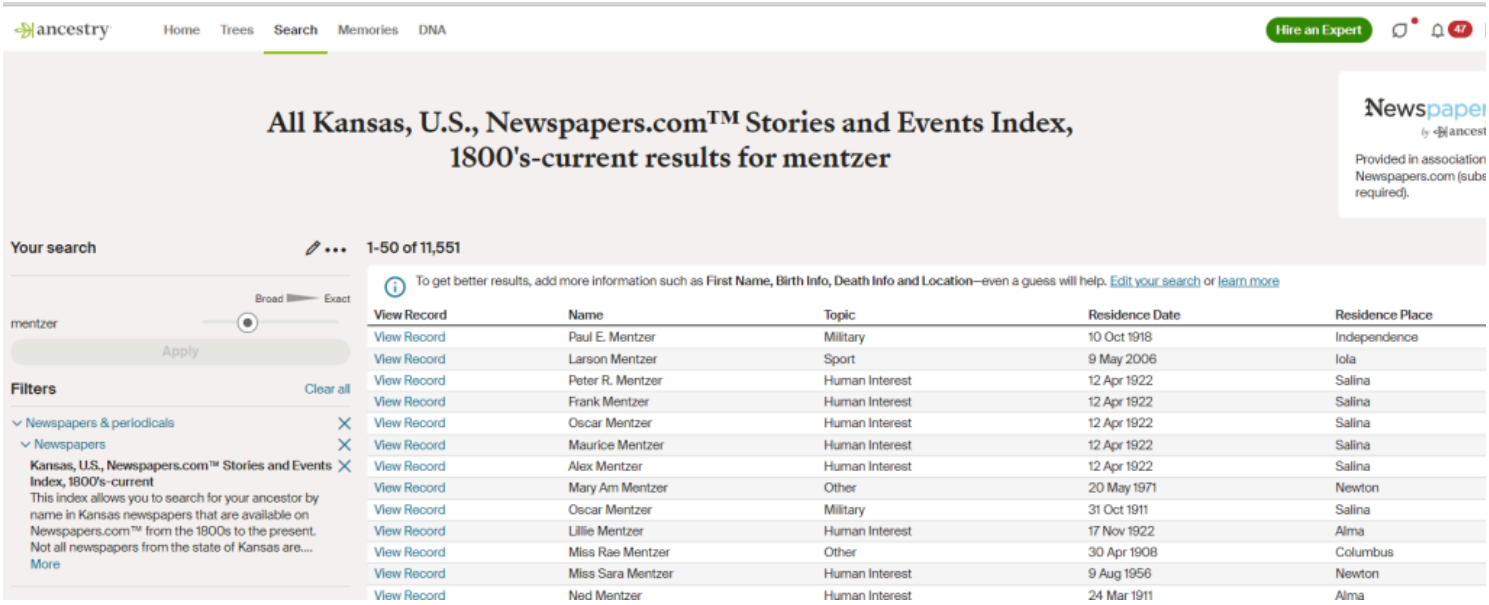
As an experiment, I searched for the surname MENTZER.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View Record | Maurice Mentzer | Human Interest | 12 Apr 1922 | Salina
View Record | Alex Mentzer | Human Interest | 12 Apr 1922 | Salina
View Record | Mary Am Mentzer | Other | 20 May 1971 | Newton
View Record | Oscar Mentzer | Military | 31 Oct 1911 | Salina
View Record | Lillie Mentzer | Human Interest | 17 Nov 1922 | Alma
View Record | Miss Rae Mentzer | Other | 30 Apr 1908 | Columbus
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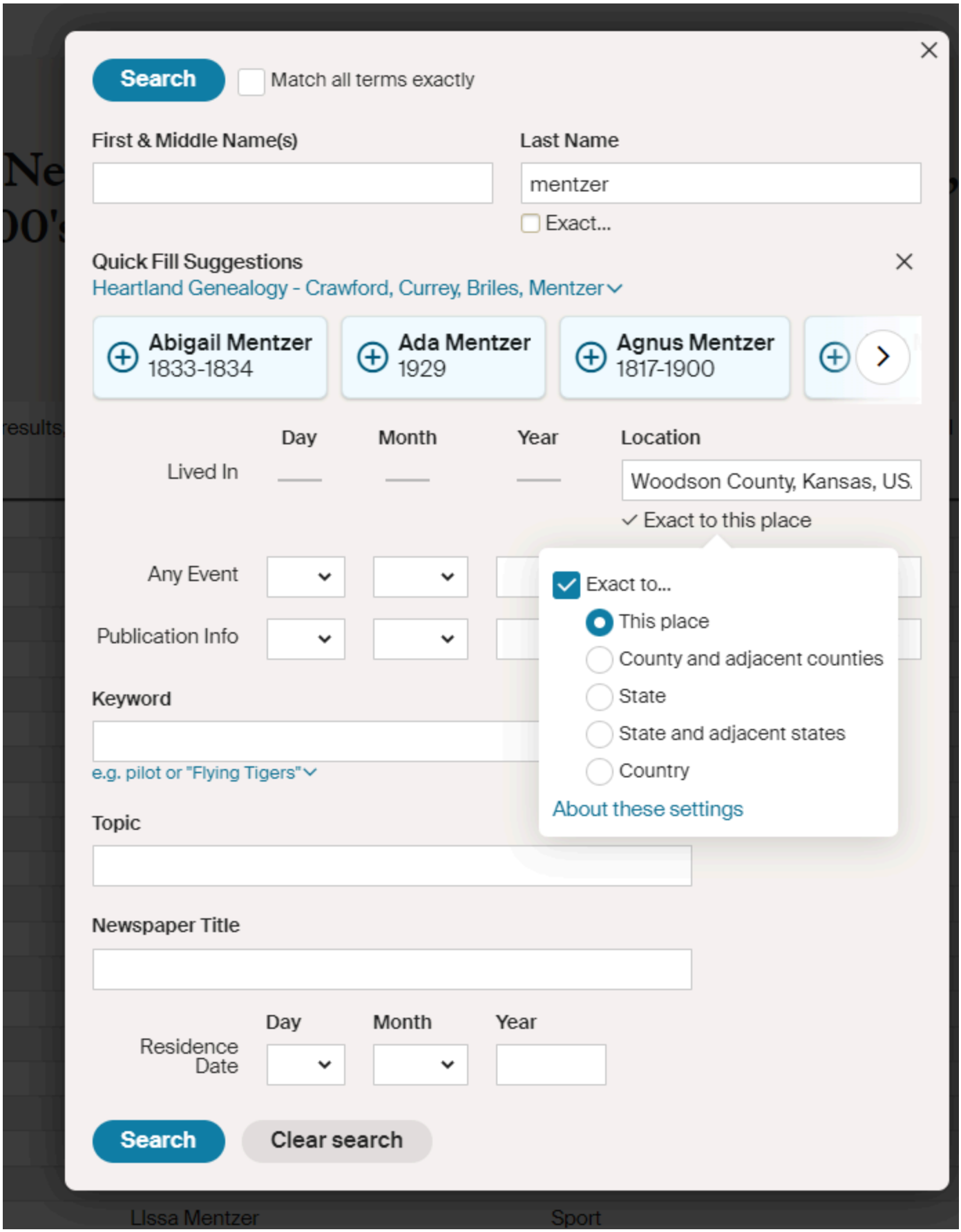
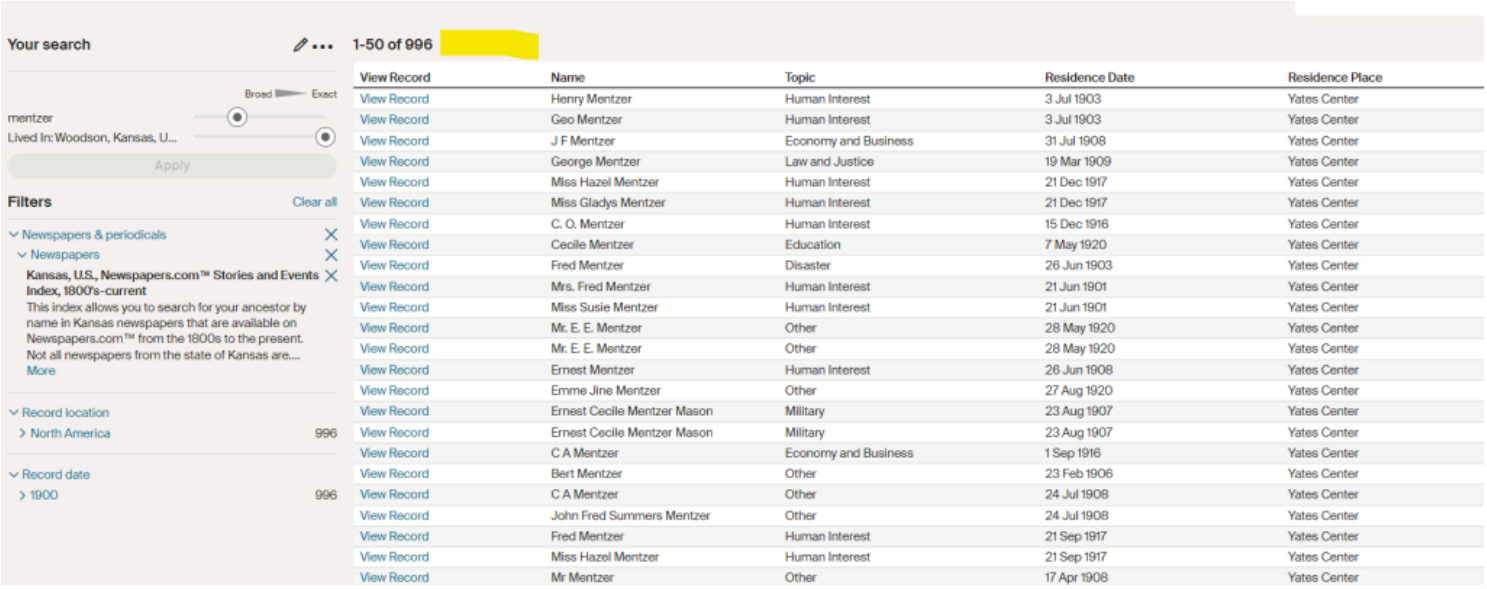
With over 11,000 results, I decided to narrow my search down to Woodson County where my Mentzer ancestor first settled.



That search reduced the number of results but it was still found over 900 articles.



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View Record	Henry Mentzer	Human Interest	3 Jul 1903	Yates Center
View Record	Geo Mentzer	Human Interest	3 Jul 1903	Yates Center
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View Record	George Mentzer	Law and Justice	19 Mar 1909	Yates Center
View Record	Miss Hazel Mentzer	Human Interest	21 Dec 1917	Yates Center
View Record	Miss Gladys Mentzer	Human Interest	21 Dec 1917	Yates Center
View Record	C. O. Mentzer	Human Interest	15 Dec 1916	Yates Center
View Record	Cecile Mentzer	Education	7 May 1920	Yates Center
View Record	Fred Mentzer	Disaster	26 Jun 1903	Yates Center
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View Record	Miss Susie Mentzer	Human Interest	21 Jun 1901	Yates Center
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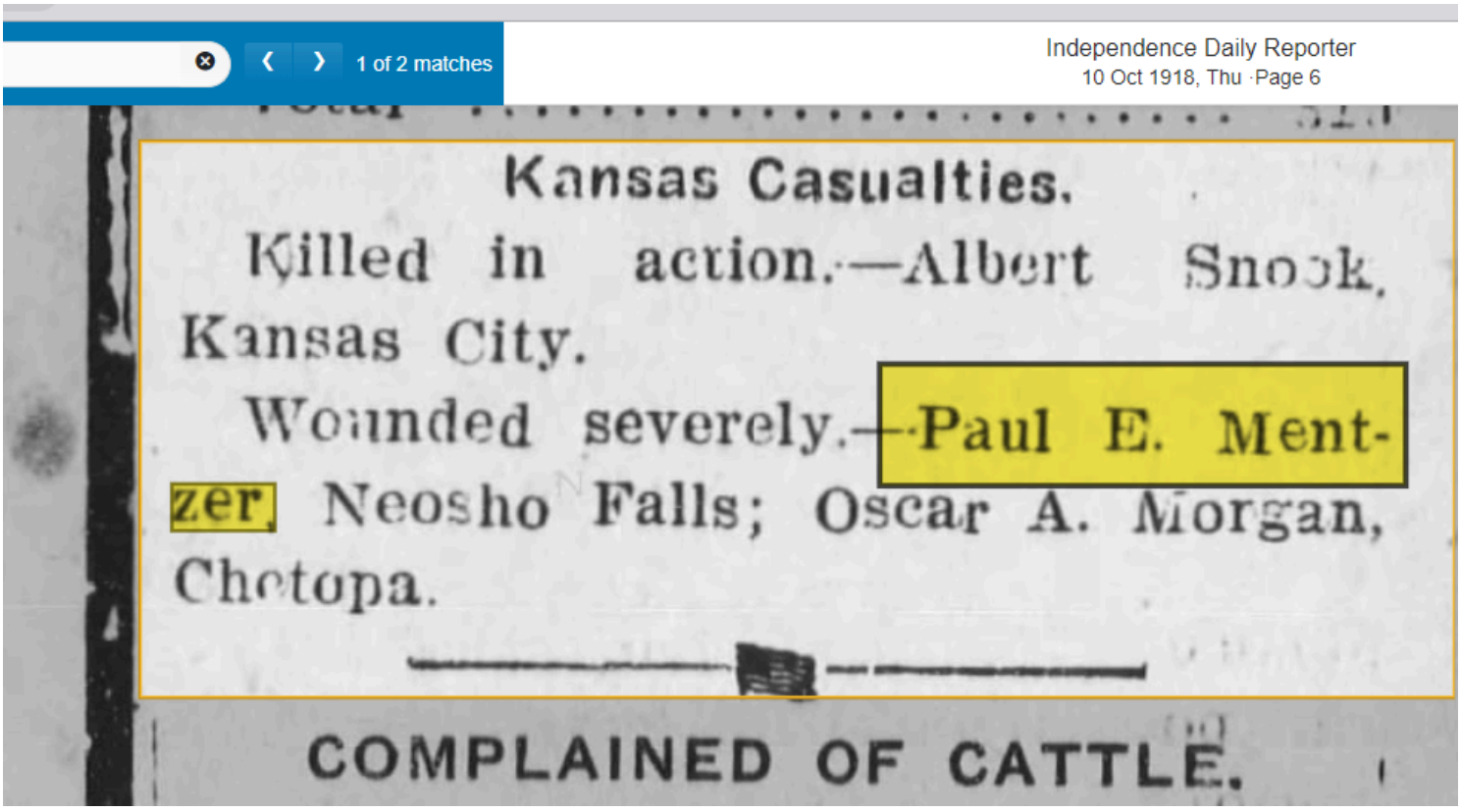
Knowing that my ancestor, George Mentzer, who settled in Woodson county had six sons with many of their descendants remaining in the Woodon county area, it does not surprise me that there are that many newspaper articles. Unfortunately, the newer papers are yet to be digitized. Thus, these articles are just part of what the newspaper has to offer about the Mentzer family in Woodson County, Kansas.

Going back to my search of the entire state for the Mentzer surname, the first article listed was for Paul Mentzer. Since my grandmother's twin brother was named Paul, I decided to look at this article even though it wasn't from Woodson county to discover that it was for my grandmother's twin.



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Independence Daily Reporter
10 Oct 1918, Thu ·Page 6

Kansas Casualties.

Killed in action.—Albert Snook, Kansas City.

Wounded severely.—Paul E. Mentzer, Neosho Falls; Oscar A. Morgan, Chetopa.

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Since I tend to restrict my newspaper searches to the county where they lived, I doubt I would have found this short article about Paul E. Mentzer if I had not been experimenting with this new tool.

While everyone with the Mentzer surname in Woodson county is likely a cousin, the same can't be said for the CRAWFORDs in Ford county.

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View Record | D. W. Crawford | Human Interest | 27 Oct 1922 | Ford
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View Record | Miss Crawford | Arts and Culture | 8 Jan 1932 | Ford
View Record | Love Crawford | Other | 7 Mar 1912 | Ford
View Record | Mr. Crawford | Human Interest | 27 Sep 1929 | Ford
View Record | Hugh Crawford | Education | 27 Sep 1929 | Ford
View Record | T. Marion Crawford | Other | 12 May 1910 | Ford
View Record | H. Clay Crawford | Other | 4 Oct 1929 | Ford
View Record | G. Crawford | Club and Association | 25 Nov 1932 | Ford
View Record | Samuel J. Crawford | Economy and Business | 30 Oct 1913 | Ford
View Record | Governor Crawford | Economy and Business | 30 Oct 1913 | Ford
View Record | Miss Crawford | Human Interest | 22 Apr 1932 | Ford
View Record | Hugh Crawford | Education | 21 Jun 1929 | Ford
View Record | Mss Opal Crawford | Human Interest | 21 Nov 1924 | Ford
View Record | Kathryn Crawford | Human Interest | 8 Apr 1932 | Ford
View Record | Kathryn Crawford | Arts and Culture | 8 Apr 1932 | Ford

Even though the search for Crawford in Ford county turned up over 2,000 articles, there are likely bits of family information in some of these articles that I doubt I would find any other way. For example, it found a 1932 article for J. F. Crawford, a 1903 article for Judd Crawford and a 1907 article for Mrs. Crawford. All of those articles about my great grandfather and my great-great grandmother. Even though I do a lot of newspaper research, I likely would not have uncovered these articles without this new tool from Ancestry.

Check it out for yourself and see what you can discover!

Geneanet

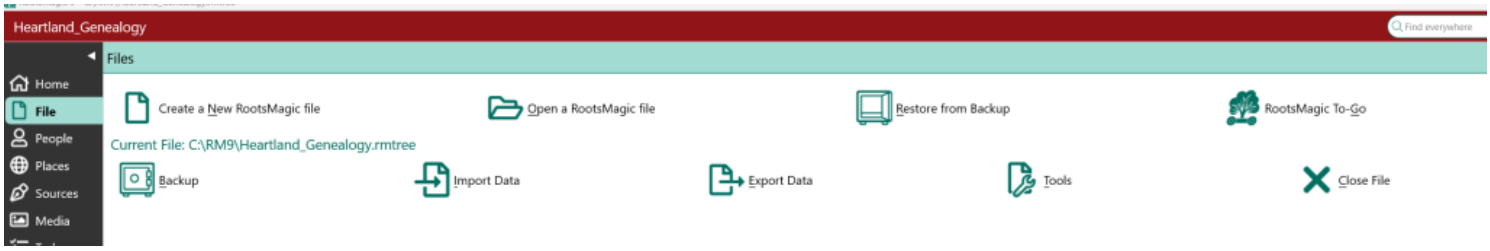
By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 7, 2024
Geneanet

Do you have a tree on Geneanet? Have you ever thought of that tree as a backup of your geenalogy research? I know that I never had that thought before reading the post, Four Ways to Safeguard Your Family Tree, on Fortify Your Family Tree.

In that post, it was suggested to use one's genealogy software to create a GedCom file and upload it to Geneanet as a Family Tree. The author does this on a daily basis as one of the 4 ways they 'backup' their geneology research.

While I use software called Second Copy to copy my RootsMagic file from my local drive to Dropbox and to a USB drive on a daily basis, I had never considered using Geneanet to create another backup. So I decided to experiment with this to see how easy it would be to do this on a daily (or weekly) basis.

In my RootsMagic software, I clicked on FILE to disply my options.



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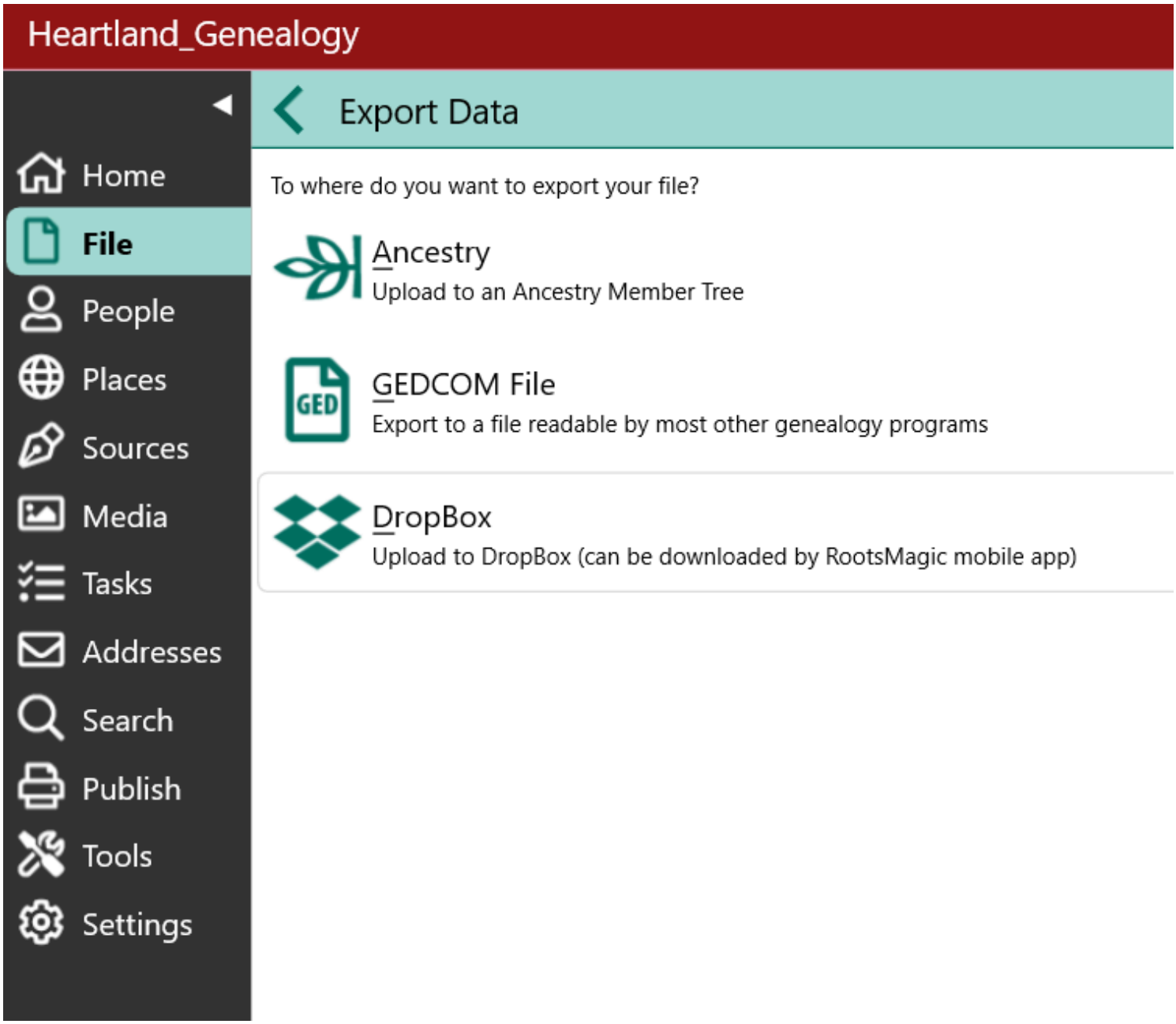
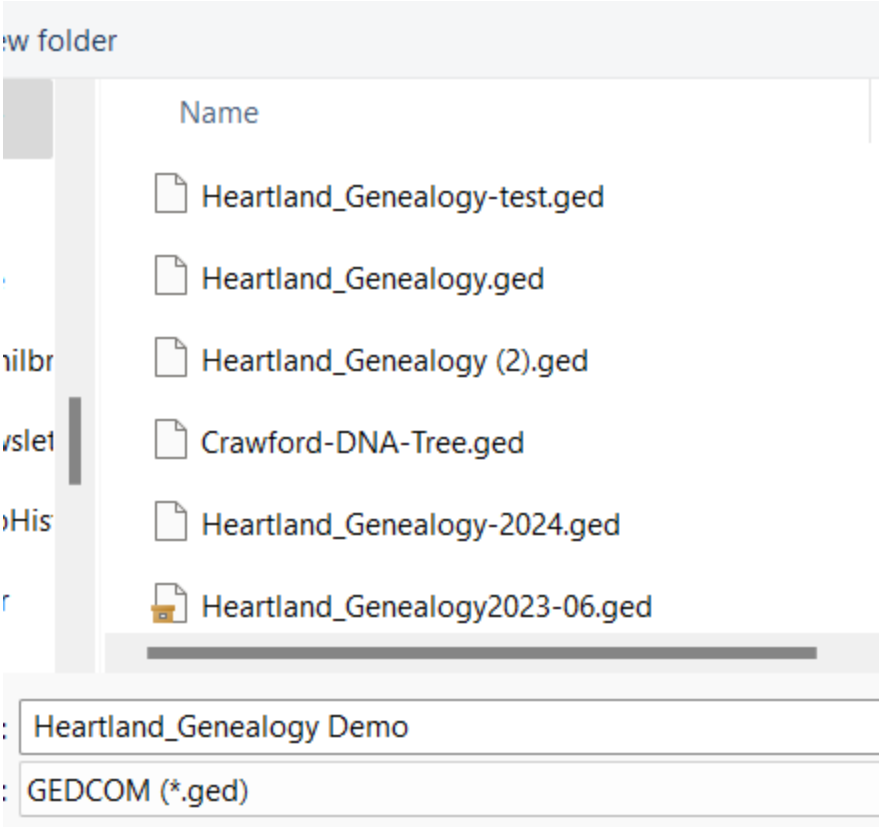
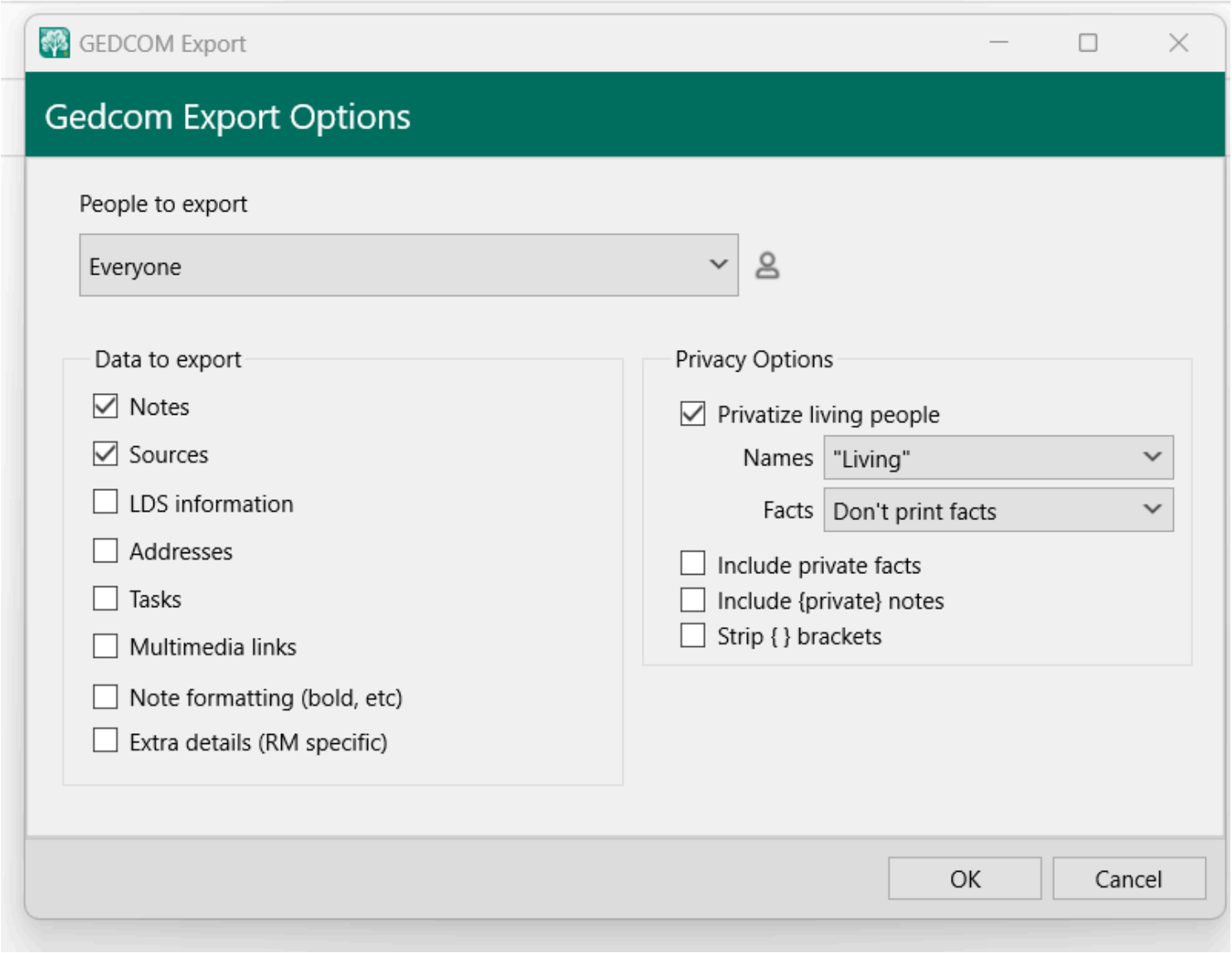


After selecting GEDCOM File, I was prompted to pick the location and file name for my GedCom file.

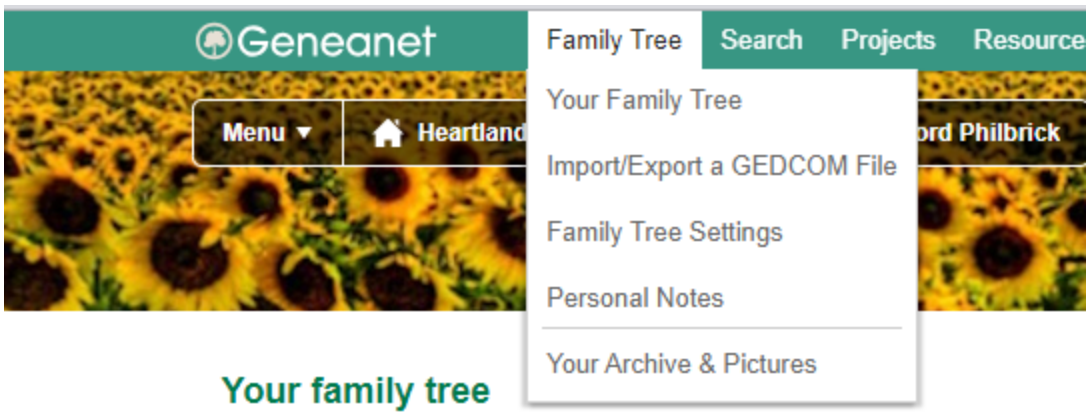


Once I had selected the location and name for the file, the window opened to select what was to be included in the GedCom file.

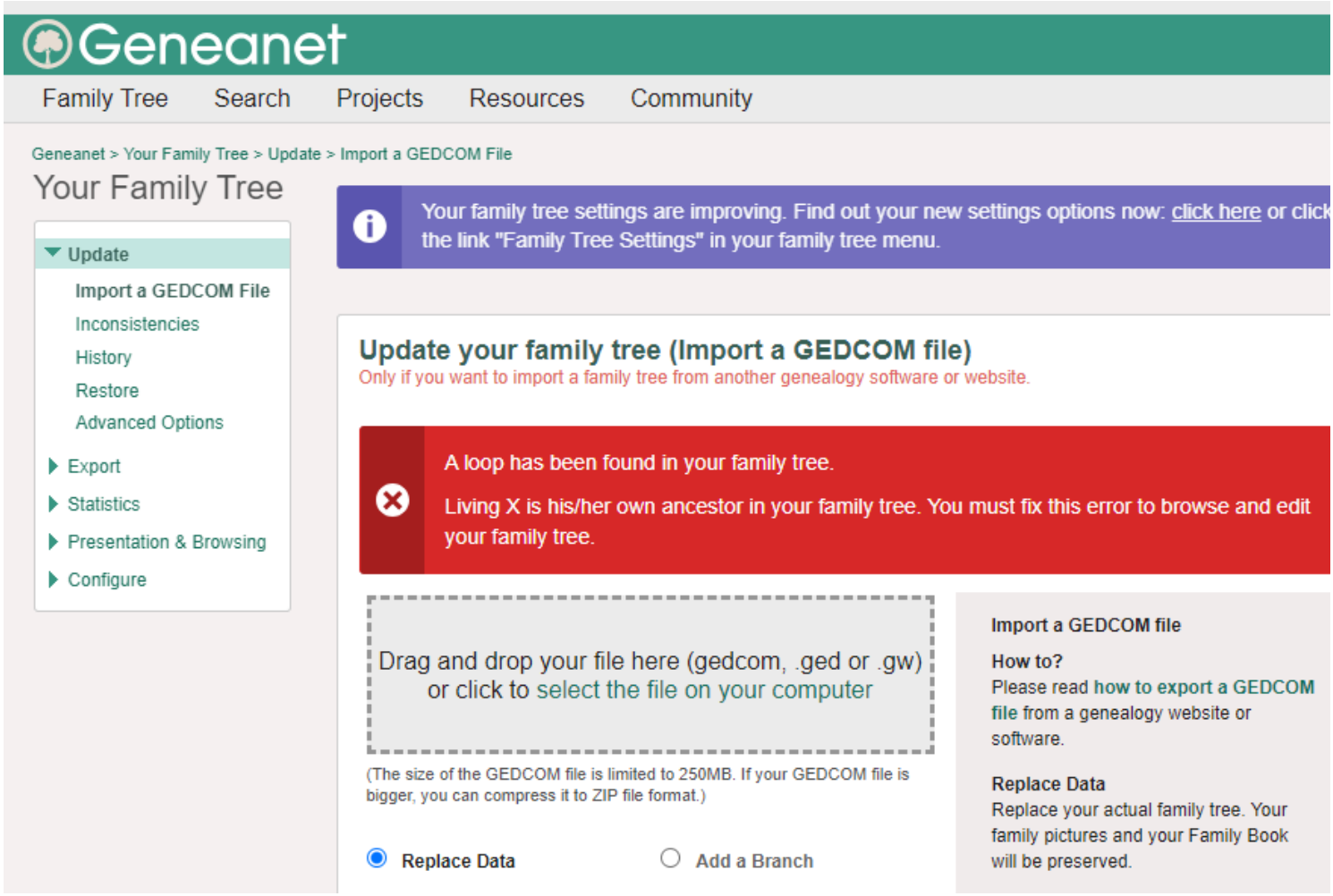


While I could have selected all of the data types to include, I only selected Notes and Sources. Because this will become a public tree on Geneanet, I PRIVATIZED the living people's name and elected to NOT include their facts. Whe I clicked on OK, it created the file.

Once the file is created, I then switched to Geneanet. Pulling down the Family Tree menu reveals the option to Import/Export a GEDCOM file.



That opens the Update Your Family Tree page. Since I used everyone in my RootsMagic file to create the GEDCOM, I have a lot of people that would have been given the Living X name. That is likely the cause of the 'loop error' I received after first uploading my tree. Since it hasn't kept me from browsing my tree or uploading a new file, I've been ignoring that error. To upload a new GEDCOM file, I simply drag the file into the 'drag and drop' box and then clicked on SEND.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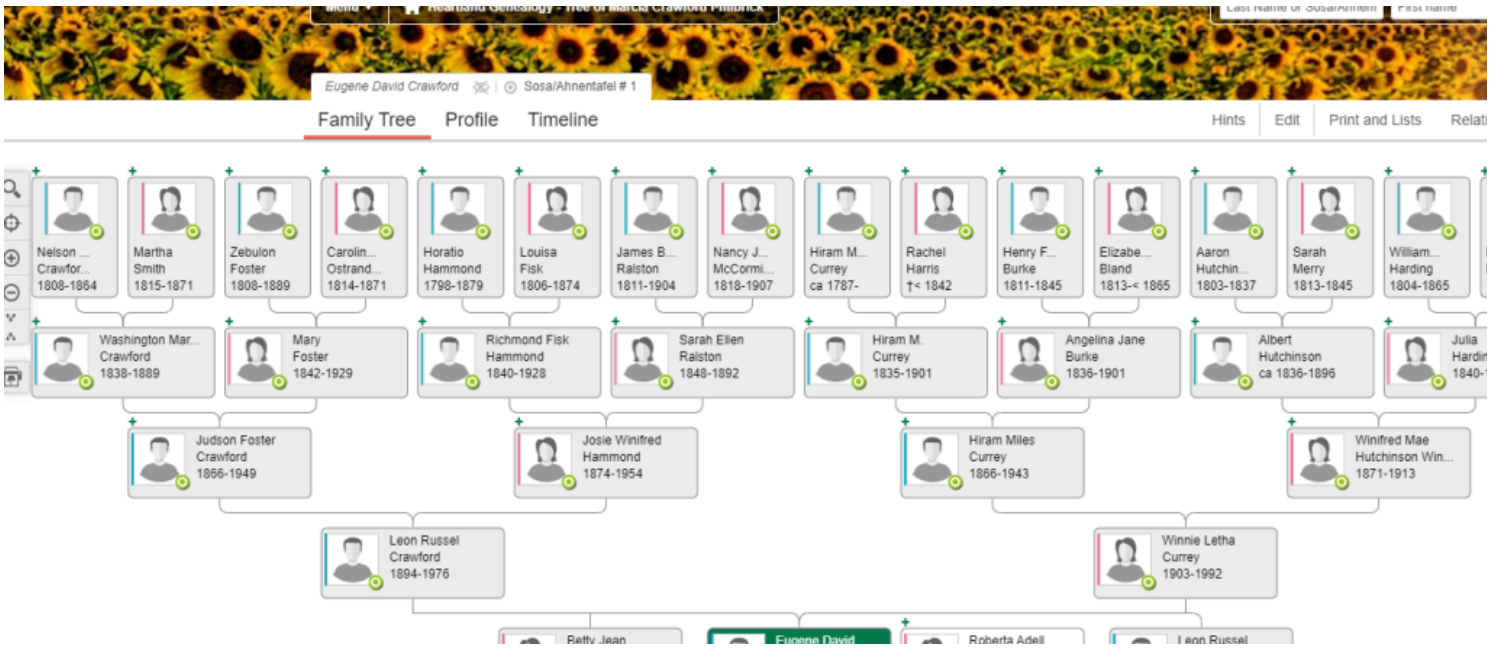
Configure
Your family tree settings are improving. Find out your new settings options now: click here or click
the link "Family Tree Settings" in your family tree menu.
Update your family tree (Import a GEDCOM file)
Only if you want to import a family tree from another genealogy software or website.
A loop has been found in your family tree.
Living X is his/her own ancestor in your family tree. You must fix this error to browse and edit your family tree.
Drag and drop your file here (gedcom, .ged or .gw)
or click to select the file on your computer
(The size of the GEDCOM file is limited to 250MB. If your GEDCOM file is bigger, you can compress it to ZIP file format.)
Replace Data
Add a Branch
Import a GEDCOM file
How to?
Please read how to export a GEDCOM file from a genealogy website or software.
Replace Data
Replace your actual family tree. Your family pictures and your Family Book will be preserved.

Once uploaded, I had to set the 'home' person and the tree owner. Since I'm living and privatized all living people in my tree, there are a lot of living people in the uploaded GEDCOM file. Thus, it is difficult to set the 'home' person and 'tree owner' and have a new upload recognize those settings.

Thus, I'm going to set the 'home' person to my father. Once I have the home person set, I can find myself in my tree as a living person. Then I can change the name which will allow me to set the 'owner' of the tree to myself. Because of the need to change this data, I do not plan to do this on a daily basis. However, this is a way that my tree can be backed up as a tree.

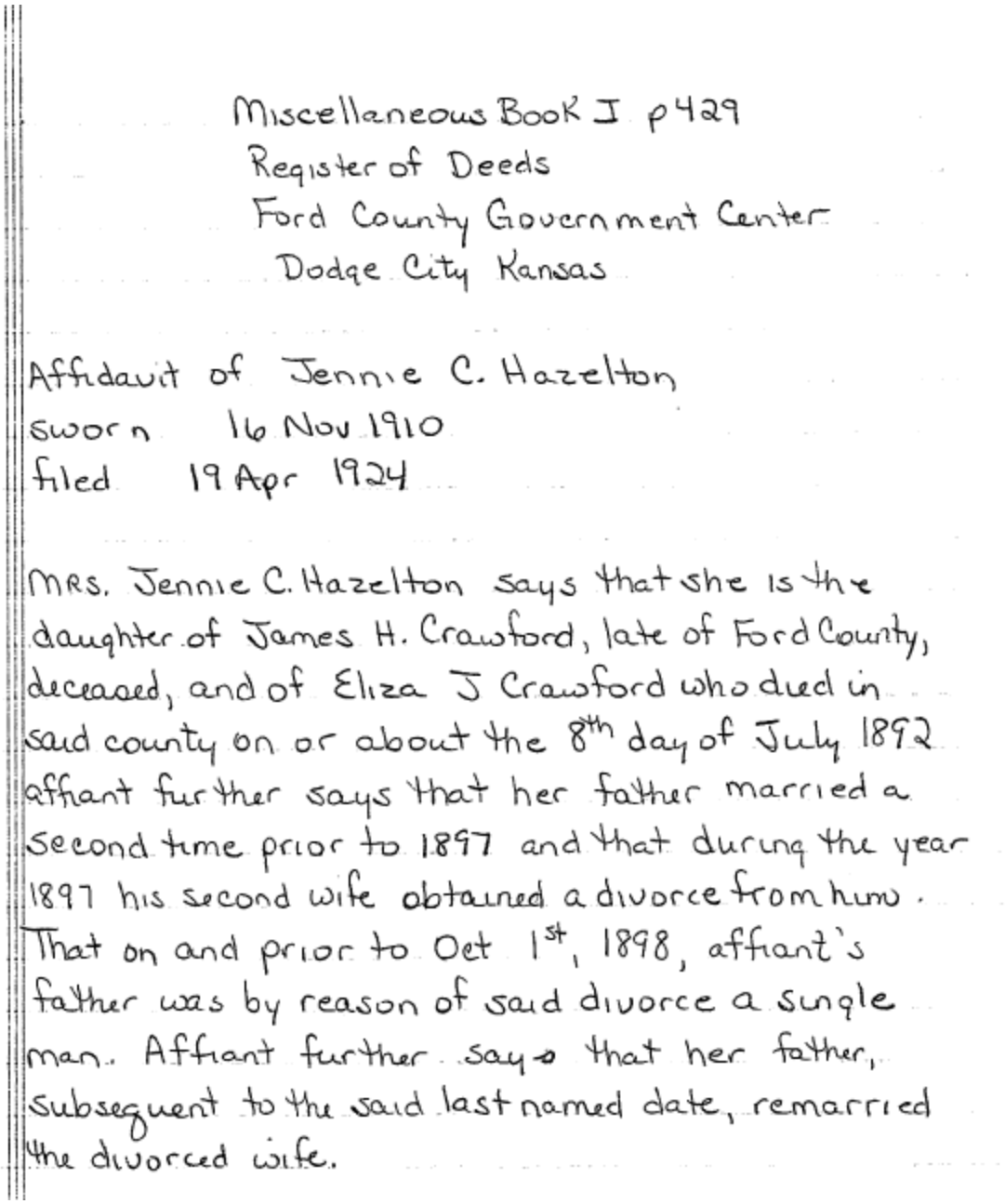


Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 8, 2024
Crawford,Dodge City

The Miscellaneous Books in the Ford County, Kansas Register of Deeds office contain another affidavit about the family of James H. Crawford.

> Affidavit of Jennie C. Hazelton
> sworn 6 Nov 1910
> filed 19 Pr 1924
>
> Mrs. Jennie C. Hazelton says that she is the daughter of James H. Crawford, late of Ford County, deceased, and of Eliza J. Crawford who died in said county on or about the 8th day of July 1892. Affiant further says that her father married a second time prior to 1897 and that during the year 1897 his second wife obtained a divorce from him. That on or prior to Oct 1st, 1898, affiant's father was by reason of said divorce a single man. Affiant further says that her father, subesquent to the said last named date, remarried the divorced wife.



Miscellaneous Book I p429
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Dodge City Kansas

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Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 9, 2024
Nemaha County,WWII

Courier Tribune
26 Dec 1940
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Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

There had been no call yesterday for any draftees form Nemaha County. Three men for the draft have recently enlisted in the Sabetha battery and will reduce the quota from this county. The three are Floyd Ivel Baumgartner of Oneida, Harold Dean Vernon of Goff, Max Elvin Gutknecht of Sabetha

95 Raymond John Vandervort
952 Lawrence Earl Scott
953 Lee Arthur Spring
954 Bernice W. Bredemeier
955 Wendell Bernard PEterson
956 Donald S. Struck
957 Vernon H. Rannebeck
958 Julius Oliver Burger
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963 Eugene Edward Stallbaumer
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967 Duane David Cody
968 Vincent John Eisenbarth
969 Walter Edward Vernon
970 Kenneth R. Shockey
971 Earl Oscar Keeney
972 Harry Arthur Haxton
973 Robert Edward Foltz
974 Lester Joseph Bergman
975 Lawrence Edward Savage
976 Benton Frank Luse
977 Paul LeRoy Kirkman
978 Clyde Boggs
979 Cyril Wm. Eisenbarth
980 Howard Hadley Wagner
981 Clyde Snider
982 John Julius Reinhardt
983 Raphael Paul Schmits
984 Daniel J. Dreiling
985 Travers Dwayne Ayers
986 Bernard Edward Hittle
987 Gale Lester Althouse
988 Edward Lawrence Heinen
989 Francis Anthony Kokenge
990 Rudolph Walter Huerter
991 Carl Bernard Holthaus
992 Ralph Bernard Rosengarten
993 Raymond John Droge
994 Willard Mack Thiemann

995 Ervin Calvin Anderson
996 Emmett Peschel
997 Dale Edward Springer
998 John Charles Hutfles Jr
999 Paul Bernard Buessing
1000 Theodor Locher
1001 Wm. Lafayette Keeney
1002 Neal Lawrence Sawyer
1003 Wm. Lawrence Hermesch
1004 Melvin C. Decker
1005 Ignatius Francis Sudbeck
1006 Carl George Hess
1007 Herbert Morton Fuller Jr
1008 Aloysius Henry Dalinghaus
1009 August Frank Shump
1010 Celestine F. B. Gudenkauf
1011 Wilmer Henry Nelson
1012 Lawrence F. Broxterman
1013 John Henry Eisenbarth
1014 Leonard W. F. Pavlick
1015 Edwin Herbert Boman
1016 Harold Dean Vernon (has enlisted in Sabetha battery)
1017 Robert Calvin Stewart
1018 Albert Henry Wessel
1019 Harry Richard Crowley
1020 Alvin Korber
1021 Kenneth LeeRoy Lohmeyer
1022 Richard Mark Sourk
1023 Francis Keith Darr
1024 Thos. Wm. Mohringer
1025 Elmer Leo Hutfles
1026 Harold Dean Dunn
1027 Paul Kenneth Carroll
1028 Aelred Bernard Bergman
1029 George Maxwell Nusbaum
1030 John Andrew Rokey
1031 Kenneth Elvan Rolfe
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1033 Raymond Francis Boeckman
1034 Arthur Calvin Clark
1035 Floyd Preston Alexander
1036 John Alfred Kistner
1037 Barney Rinard Rilinger
1038 David Monroe Anderson
1039 Floyd Wilbur Talley
1040 Joseph Francis Wichman Jr
1041 Edwin Joseph Buser
1042 Bernard Edward Macke
1043 Frank Wilford Brown
1044 David August Grimm
1045 Marvel Q. Brinkworth
1046 Eli Edward Hartter
1047 Vernon Ernest Schneider
1048 Gale Melvin Jordan
1049 Virgil Vernon Holliday
1050 August Kramer Jr.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 10, 2024
SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun —

How Are You Telling Your Own Life Story?

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night again –

Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) How are you telling your own life story? Who have you shared it with? What do you hope to do in the future?

How am I telling my story? I have to admit that I haven't really thought about it. With social media and online newspapers, much of my life story can be found on the Internet with a little work. With scammers trying to steal an identity or hijack a computer, I'm not inclined to make it easier for someone to learn about my life.

Several years ago, I put together a book, Crawford Family Memories that I had printed for my siblings, nieces and nephew. This is a compilation of memories from an interview with my parents along with some of my family memories.

Writing this blog has caused me to update my 'about' information for this blog along with my profile information for several social media accounts.

Thank you Randy for prompting me to update my profiles!

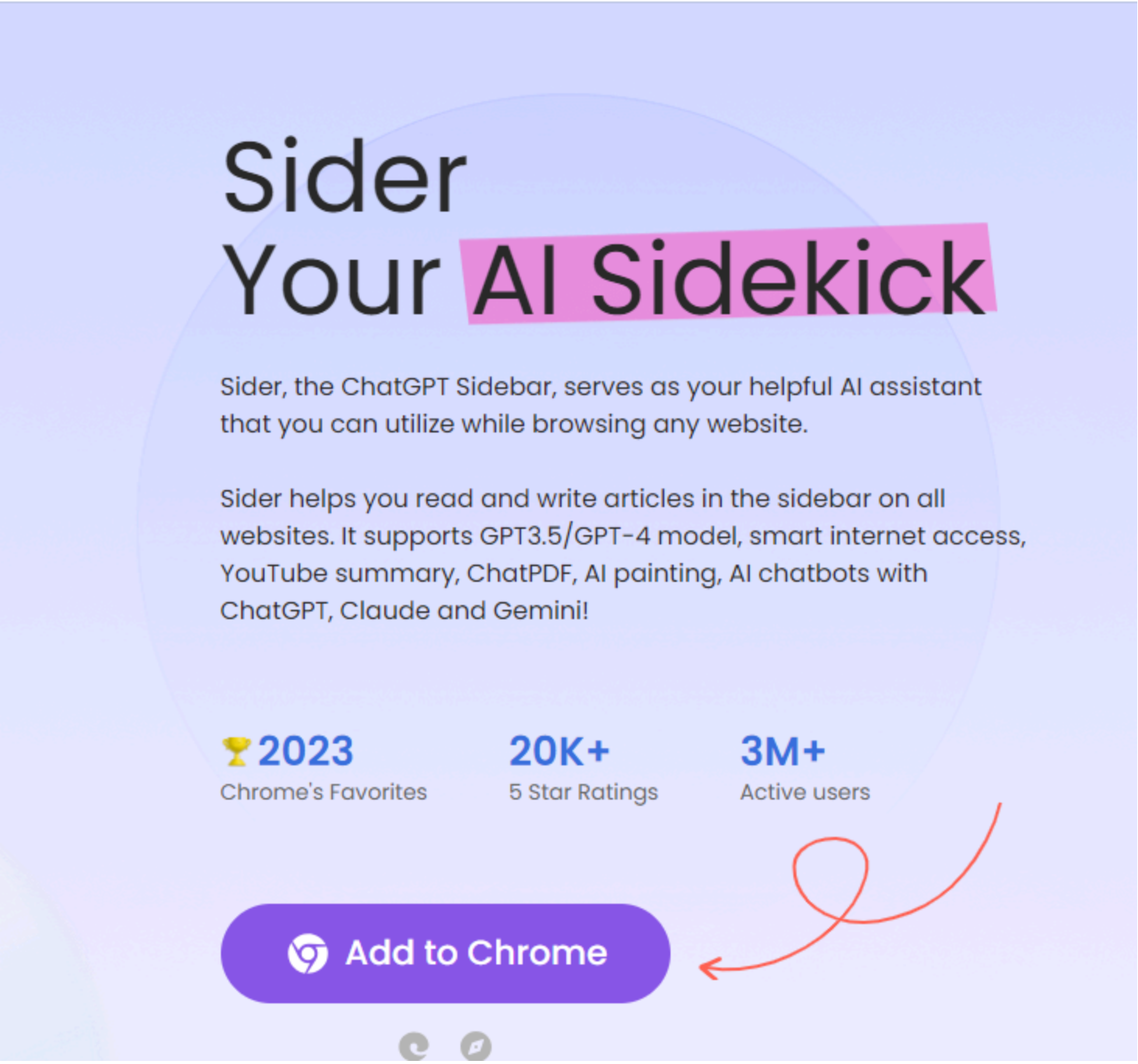
AI and Images

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 11, 2024
Artificial Intelligence,RootsTech

Did you attend RootsTech 2024 either in person or virtually? If so, were you amazed at all of the AI tools introduced? While I've found some drawbacks to the use of AI tools, the ability to use AI to do an every word search of newspapers (Ancestry – Newspapers) or deeds and wills (FamilySearch – Experimental Labs) is fantastic. Don't misunderstand me. I'm still not going to trust AI technology to write my blog posts (AI-Fiction). However, the ability to not only index but transcribe records is a game changer.

I'm not sure how or where I saw this during RootsTech, but I watched in fascination as someone drug an image of a newspaper article into an AI tool and the tool transcribed the article. Since I could not remember the name of the tool or even where I saw this demonstrated, I did a Google search for "AI tool transcribe images". One of the results was the post, Top 5 Image to Text AI Tools in 2023. Browsing thru the list, I decided to check out Sider's Sidebar Chrome Extension.

I went to the Sider.ai site and at the top of the page was a button to add the extension to Chrome. I simply clicked on the Add to Chrome button and allowed the installation.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Your AI Sidekick
Sider, the ChatGPT Sidebar, serves as your helpful AI assistant that you can utilize while browsing any website.
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5 Star Ratings
3M+
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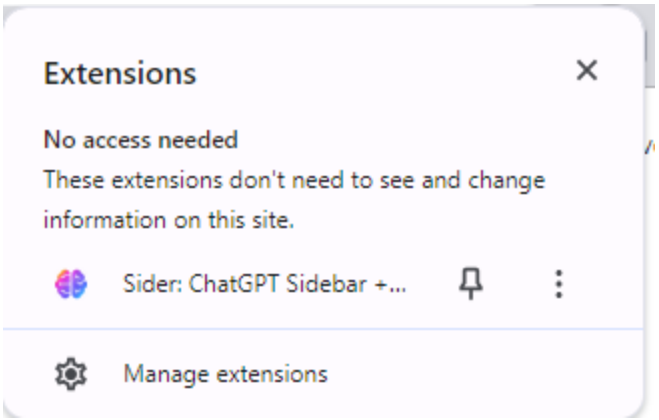
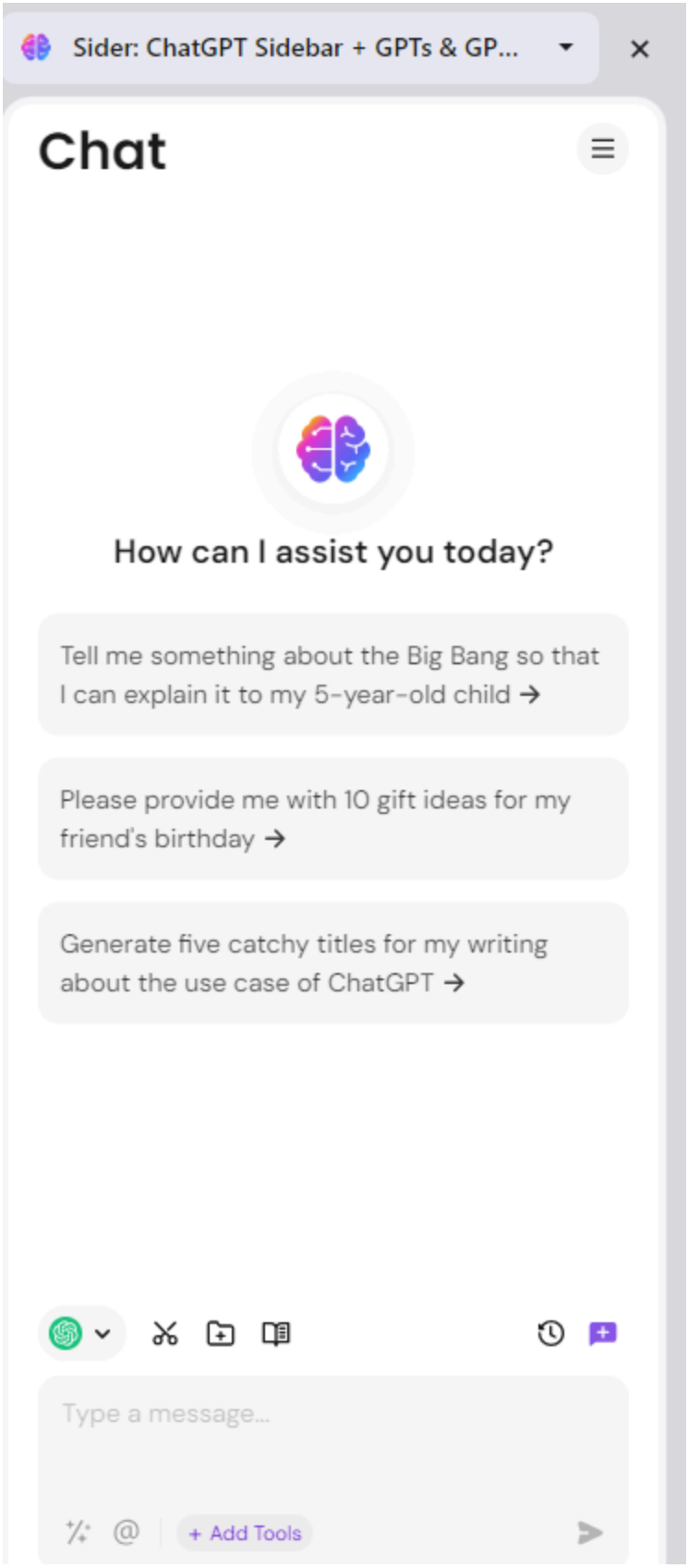
Once I downloaded and installed the extension, I located the extension icon in the upper right corner of my Chrome toolbar and clicked on it.

An EXTENSIONS menu opened allowing me to click on Sider. (Clicking on MANAGE EXTENSIONS allows me to turn on/off an extension. Thus, I can have it installed but not running if I wish.)


Extensions
No access needed
These extensions don't need to see and change information on this site.
Sider: ChatGPT Sidebar +...
Manage extensions

Clicking on Sider: ChatGPT Sidebar in my extension list opens a vertical panel to the right of my browser window for ‘Chat’.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How can I assist you today?
Tell me something about the Big Bang so that I can explain it to my 5-year-old child →
Please provide me with 10 gift ideas for my friend's birthday →
Generate five catchy titles for my writing about the use case of ChatGPT →
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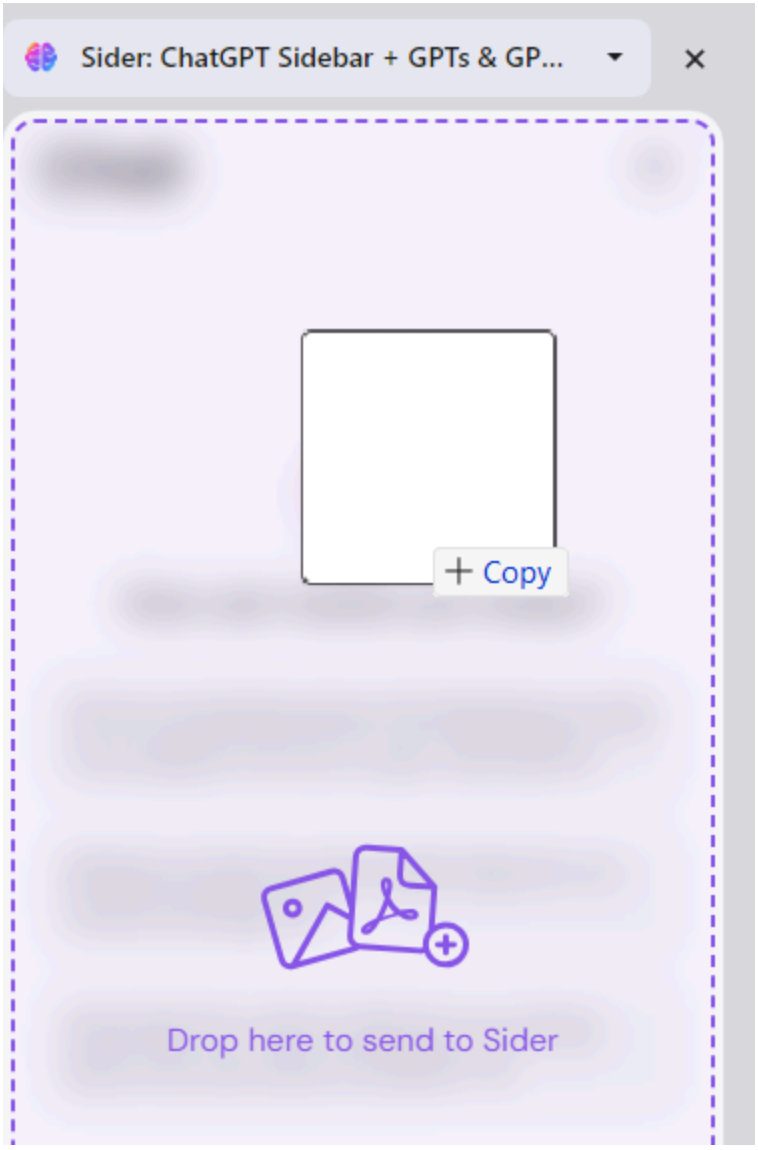
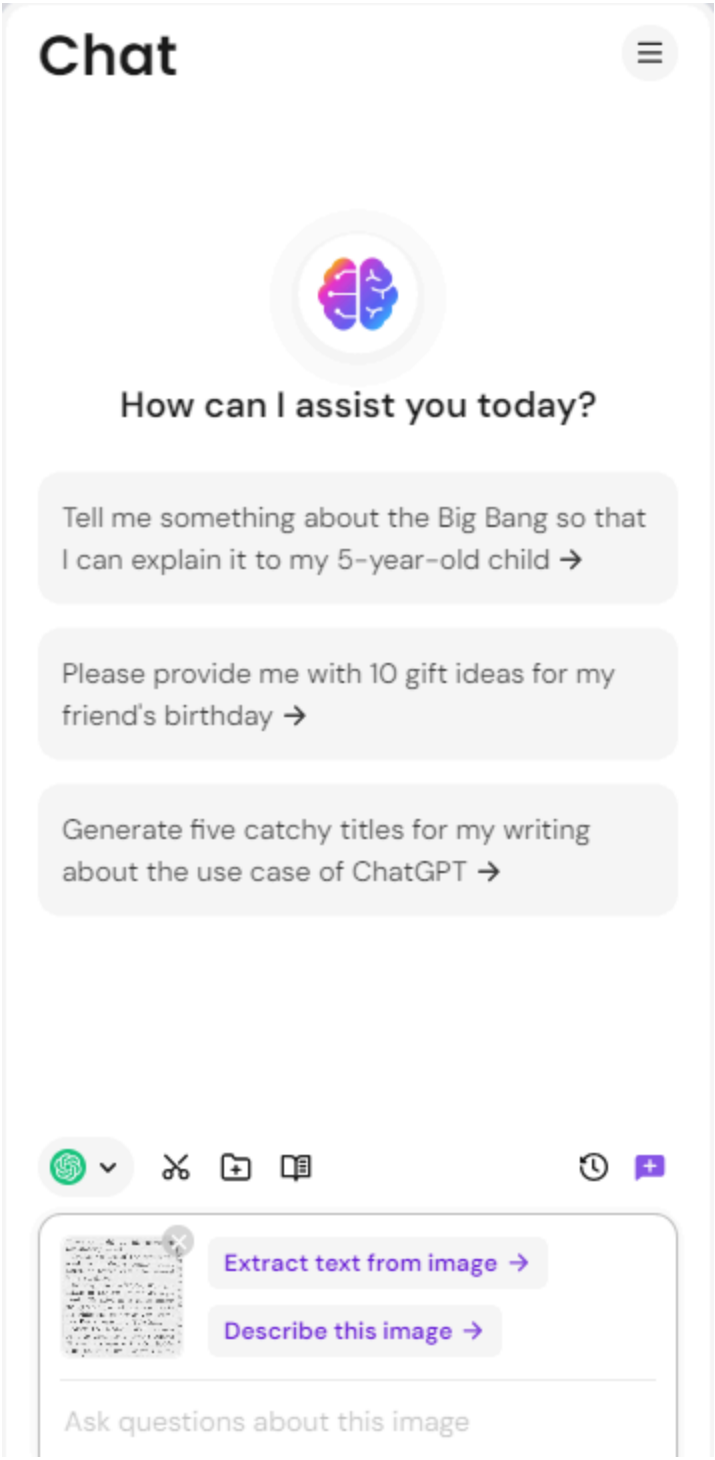
Instead of typing a question, I simply drug an image of a newspaper article onto the panel. That changed the view to allow me to ‘drop’ the image into the panel.



After dropping the image, it placed it in the ‘prompt’ box at the bottom of the panel and gave me two options:

- Extract text from image
- Describe the image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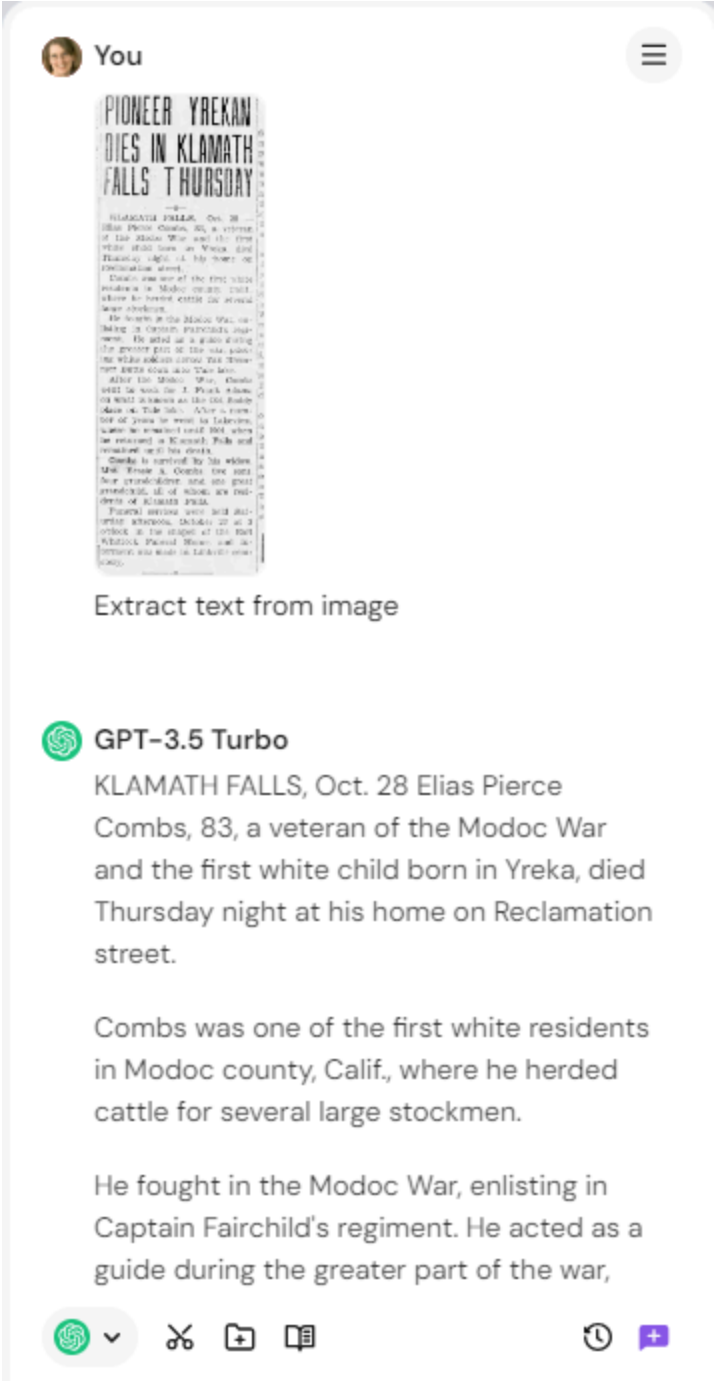
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Combs was one of the first white residents in Modoc county, Calif., where he herded cattle for several large stockmen.
He fought in the Modoc War, enlisting in Captain Fairchild's regiment. He acted as a guide during the greater part of the war,

The only error I could find in the transcription was the missing headline.

The review indicated that it could also transcribe handwriting – but only in English.

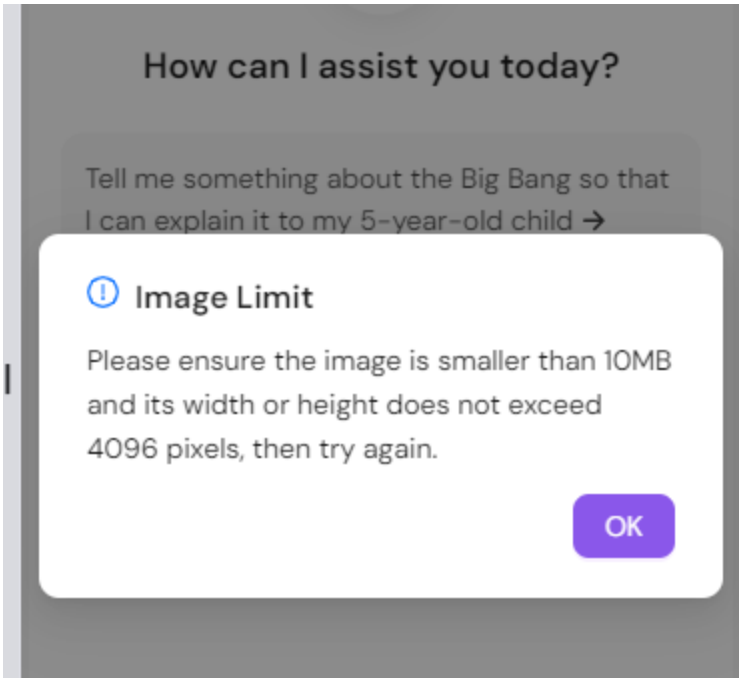
Pros:

- Easy and fast OCR
- Supports describing any image and chatting with it
- Extracts text, numbers, and equations from images
- Provides many value-added features

Cons:

- Can only recognize handwriting in English

So, I tried a deed. My first attempt was rejected due to the size of the image.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Tell me something about the Big Bang so that I can explain it to my 5-year-old child →
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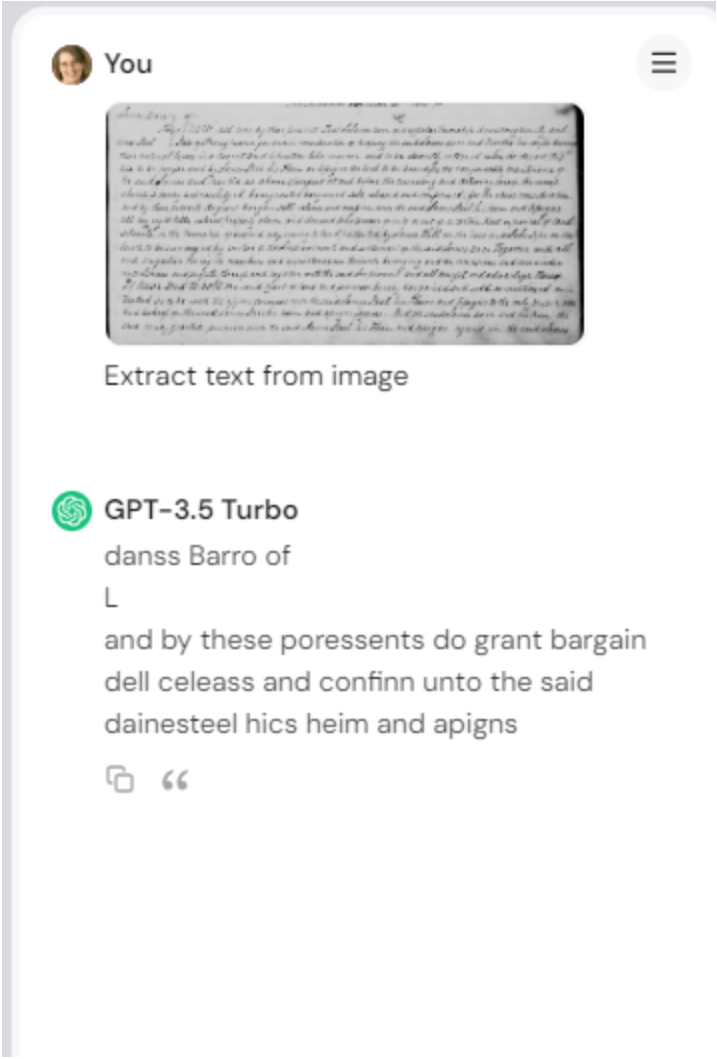
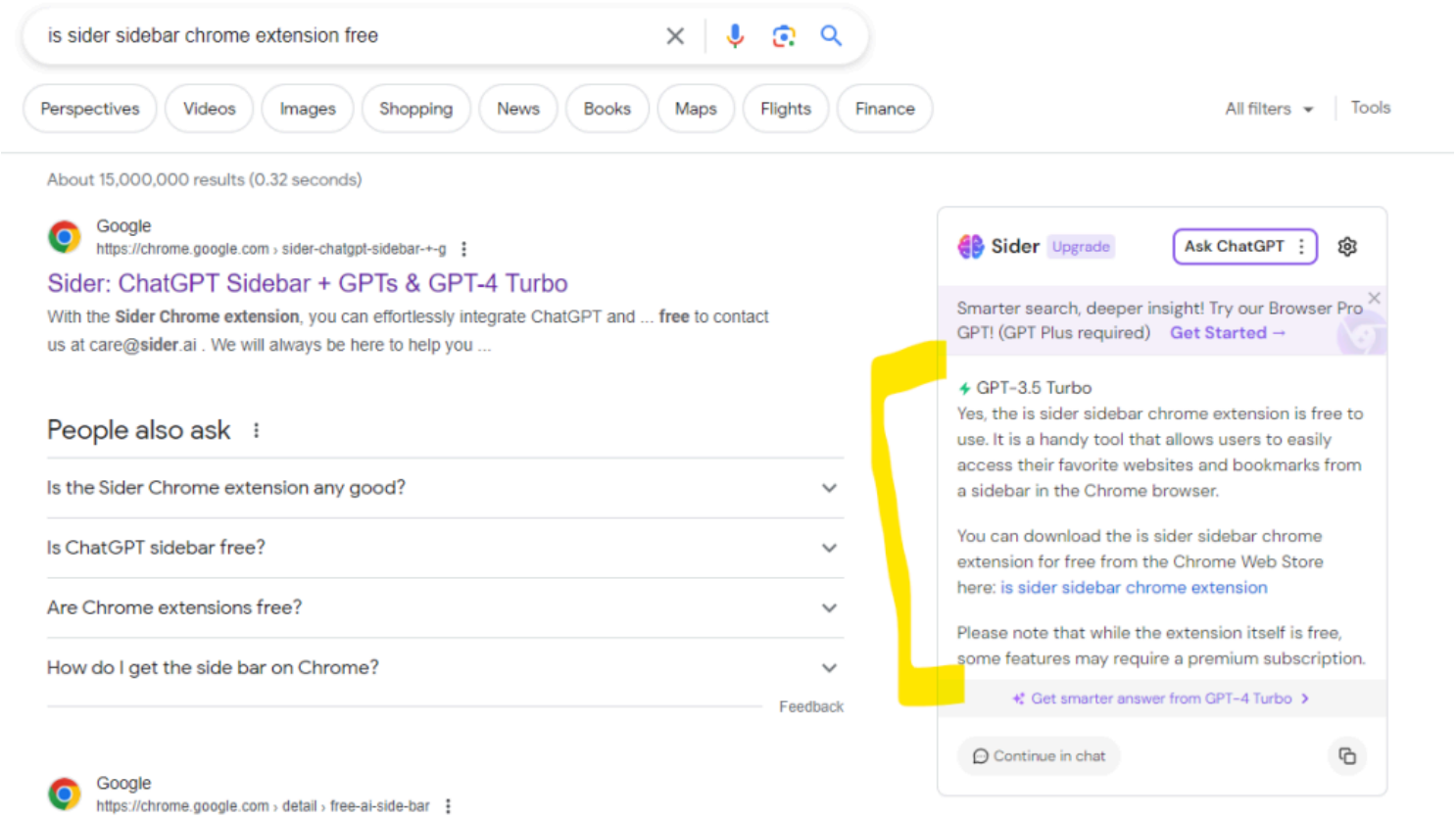
Since the image was of both pages of deeds from a deed book, I simply cropped out the portion that I wanted and tried again. Unfortunately, the handwriting transcription was not as successful.



With FamilySearch's new Experimental Search of deeds, I doubt that I would need the ability to transcribe handwriting very often. However I can see myself using this tool almost daily. Thus, I was curious about the cost. Another Google search brought up a chatbox discussing the price.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Please note that while the extension itself is free, some features may require a premium subscription.
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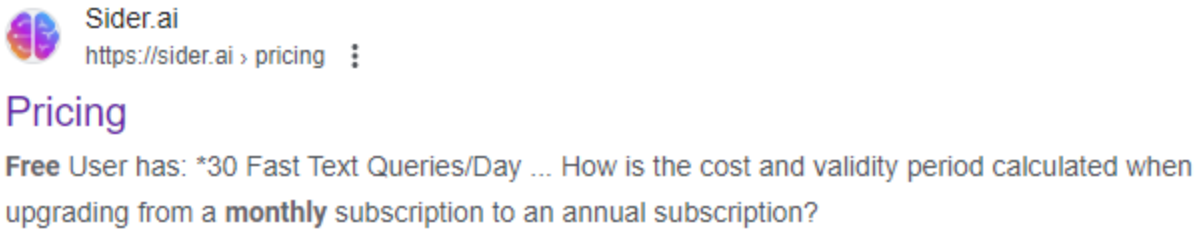
According to the chat, the extension is FREE. However, some features may require a premium subscription. There is also a limit of 30 queries/day on the free version.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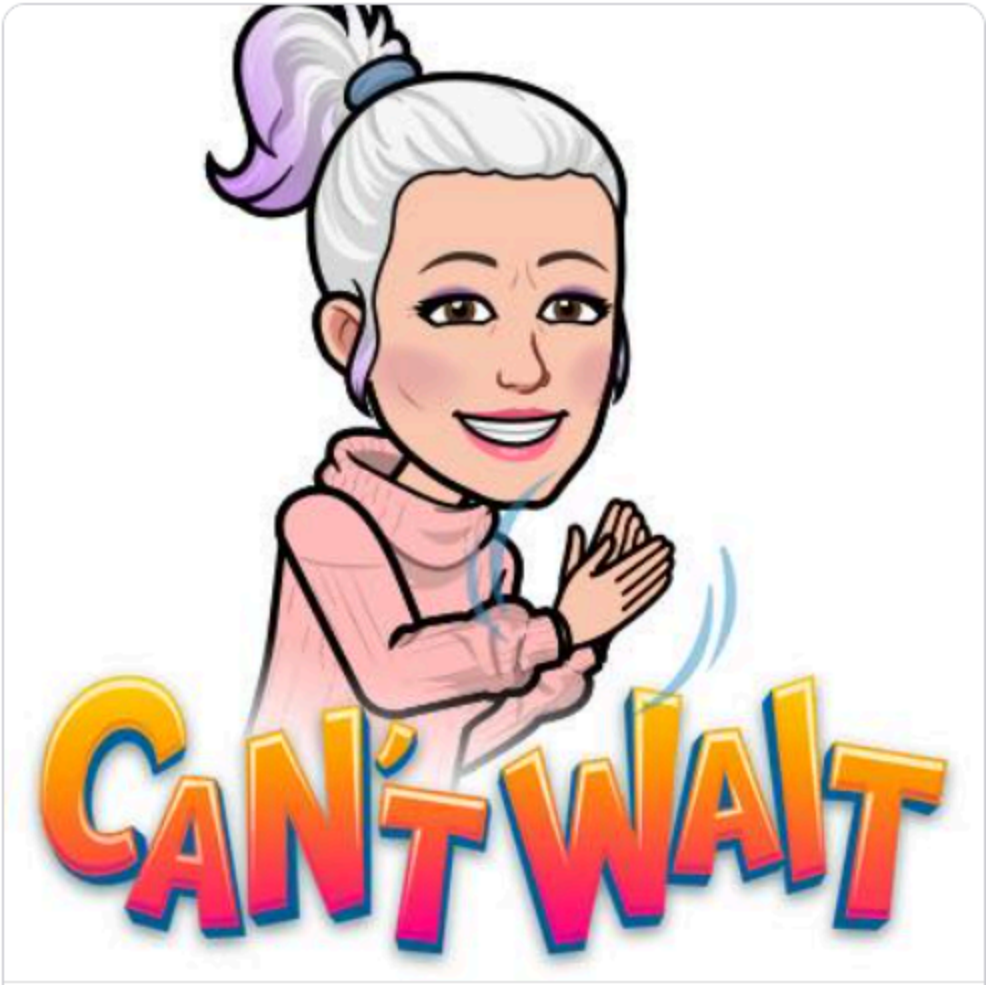
Now to get back to using another AI tool to locate those articles and deeds.

Note: This post is being published on Monday, March 11th which means that at 11 a.m. I will be joining in on Mondays with Myrt. For more information, join the Dear Myrtle group on Facebook.

Hope to see you on March 11th! 🤗



Pat Richley-Erickson
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WHAT'S DIFFERENT about DearMYRTLE's Mondays with Myrt?
🤗 We are all about group discussions.
🤗 We learn from each other.
🤗 We meet virtually, so no commuting.

Typical genealogy societies offer wonderfully informative lectures BUT there's never enough time for discussion.

🤗 Start your genea-week out right by joining Mondays with Myrt!

🤗 LIVE VIRTUAL MEETINGS
Starting 11 March 2024
12 noon Eastern (New York)
How to Attend: TBA ✔️ (I'm working on live streaming directly to FB and YouTube.)

🤗ARCHIVED SESSIONS
Please subscribe to DearMYRTLE's new YouTube Channel. Tap the bell there to select "all notifications" so you won't miss anything. Yes, I'm doing a few ad hoc Mini-Myrt's.
https://youtube.com/@dearmyrtlearchive

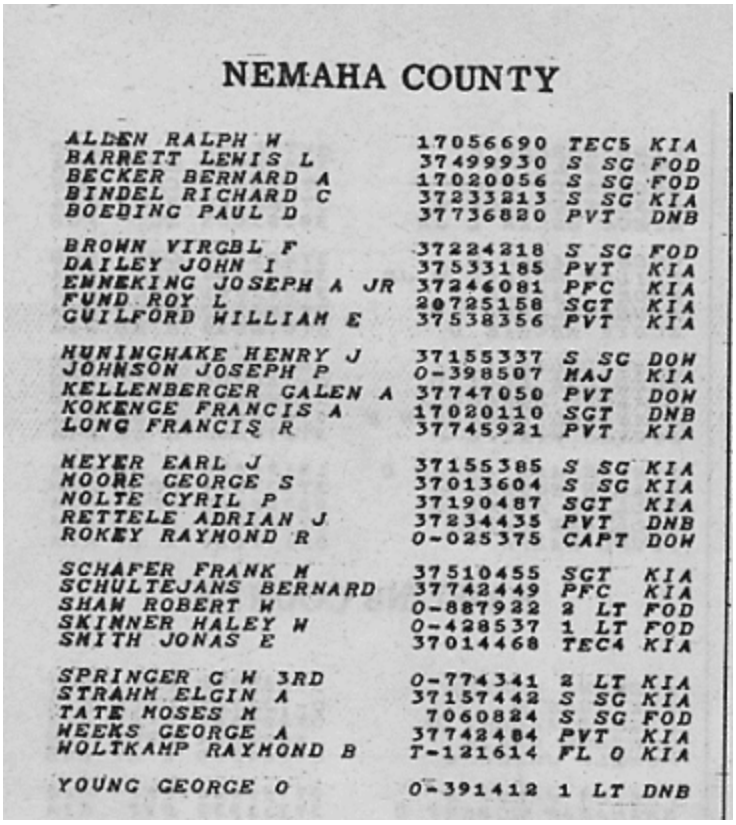
World War II Death

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 12, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

George Young

Death Non Battle

George Young in listed among the World War II dead.



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Courier Tribune
5 Jun 1941
page 8

Centralia

George Young, Jr., who has been working in Galveston, Tex., came Monday to spend the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Young. He is going to Norman, Oklahoma Saturday to enter Oklahoma University where he expects to finish a course in petroleum production, in which he is majoring.

Courier Tribune
14 Aug 1941
page 8

Centralia

George Young, Jr., came Sunday to visit his parents until Sept. 1st when he will return to Norman, Okla. He hopes to soon complete his studies for a Master's Degree.

Courier Tribune
8 Jun 1942
page 2

Centralians in Service
Lt. George Young at Camp Wallace, Texas, is listed as a graduate of Oklahoma University this week. He will not attend the commencement exercises but his degree will be sent to him in absentia. He completed the work last fall and was doing work on his Master's degree when he was called into active service in November. His brother, Lt. John H. Young, is still in the Hawaiian Islands at Perl Harbor. He writes he is well and very busy. His address is B-64, APO 958, care Postmaster, San Francisco, Calf. These boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. George Young.

Courier Tribune
25 Feb 1943
page 2

Centralians in Service
Lt. John H. Young expects to report next month at Santa Ana, Calif., for training in combat flying. He has recently returned from the Hawaiian Islands where he had been stationed at the Hawaiian Air Depot, in the Planning Department. He is looking find and wearing a beautiful coat of tan.

Courier Tribune
4 March 1943
page 1

War Hits a Town Hard

Lieut. Geo. Young Dies

Is Second Centralia Boy to Lose Life in Service; One Missing, One Captured

War continues to takes its heaviest toll in Nemaha county in the town of Centralia. Two of its boys in the service have lost their lives with the death last night of Lieutenant George Young. Another of Centralia's fine young men in missing in action, another reported missing earlier is now listed as a prisoner of war.
Lieutenant Young was at Camp Davis, North Carolina. About a week ago he was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage. He had been instructing a class when the attack came. His brother, Lt. John Young, who was home at Centralia on leave, flew to North Carolina to be with him. Lieut. George Young had earlier been stationed and his wife flew from there. She was with him when the end came. Lieut. John Young arrived in Centralia early this morning because his leave form the service was ending. George's passing was learned by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. George O. Young, Sr., in Centralia, in the night. The Centralia correspondent, Mrs. Maude Armstrong, phoned this morning. It was too early for the family to have any plans.
Lieut. was only 24 years of age. His illness has been of concern not only to his family but to every one int his community. Centralia has been hit repeatedly. Carol Domer, air service, was killed in action. George Guilford, serving with the merchant marine, is missing in action. Orville Edman wa listed as missing for a year, now is reported as a prisoner of the Japanese government on the Philippine Islands.

Courier tribune
15 March 1943
page 6

Vermillion
Vermillion friends wish to extend their sympathy to the relatives of Lieutenant George Young who lived so nobly and died while serving his country so well

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Courier Tribune
3 Jun 1943
page 1

Hold Annual Club Meet
The County Council

Women's Organization
Elects Mrs. Woodman, Wetmore as President

Resoled: That our sincere sympathy be extended to … Mrs. George Young in the loss of her son who gave his life for his country

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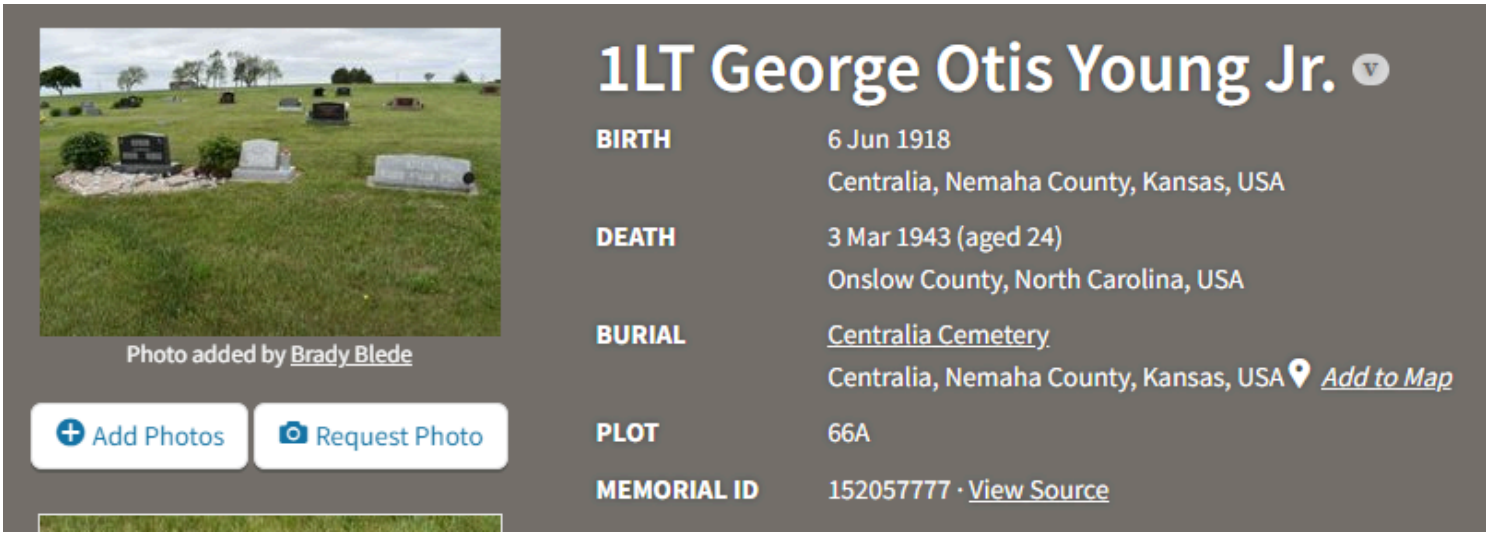
The Find a Grave record for George Young includes the following:

U.S. Army Service No. (ASN): #O-391412

George O. Young is listed as Died Non-Battle in the 1946 Army and Army Air Forces Personnel Casualty List for Nemaha County, Kansas.

Graduated from Centralia High School in 1936
Attended Kansas State
Cause of death was a cerebral hemorrhage, at Camp Davis, North Carolina



Another FamilySearch Lab

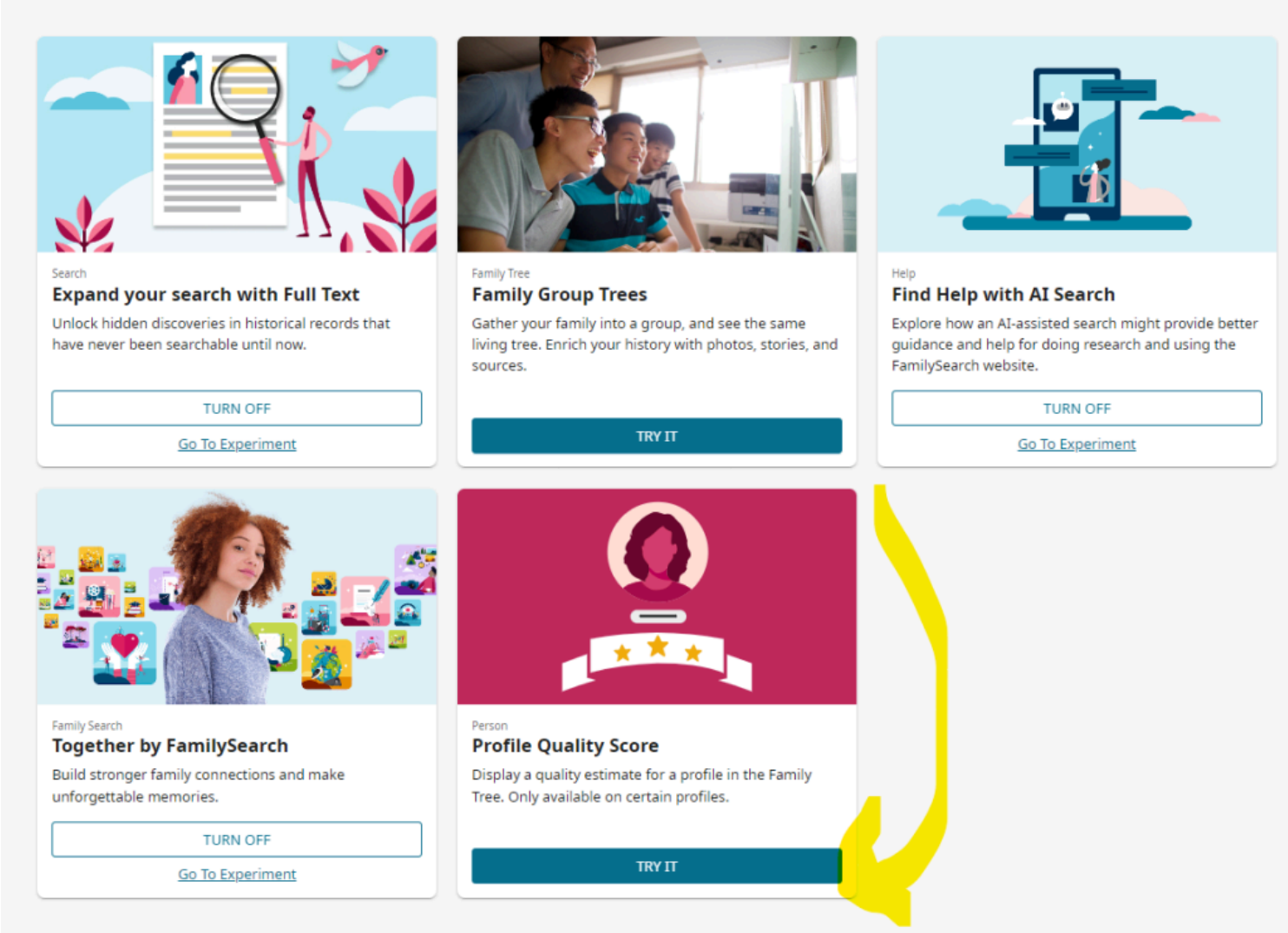
By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 13, 2024
FamilySearch

By now, I'm sure you have tried the newly released Experimental Search on the FamilySearch Labs site. If so, did you check out some of the other labs? I recently read the Introducing FamilySearch Profile Quality Score blog post by James Tanner.

After reading the blog post, I had to check it out for myself. And I'm impressed! Basically, this 'experiment' applies a label to a profile indicating the 'quality' of the profile. Unfortunately, this label is not universally available across the FamilySearch tree. However, several generations of my fan chart are eligible to be labeled. To have a label, the following must be true:

- User language set to English
- Ancestor must be born between 1800 and 1920
- Ancestor must be born in Canada, the United Kingdom, or the United States.
- Experiment enabled

To enable the experiment, go to FamilySearch.org/labs, look for the Profile Quality Score graphic and click on the Try It Button.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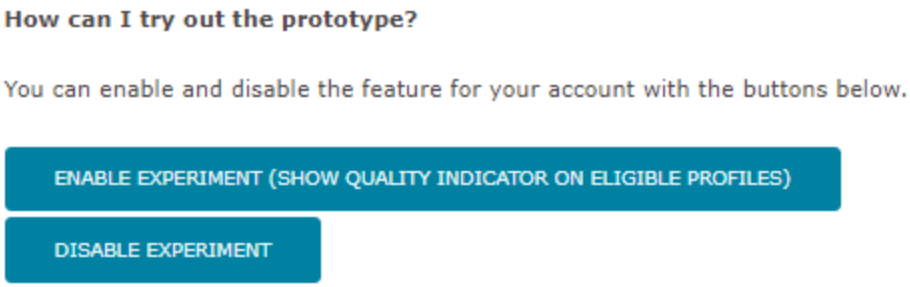
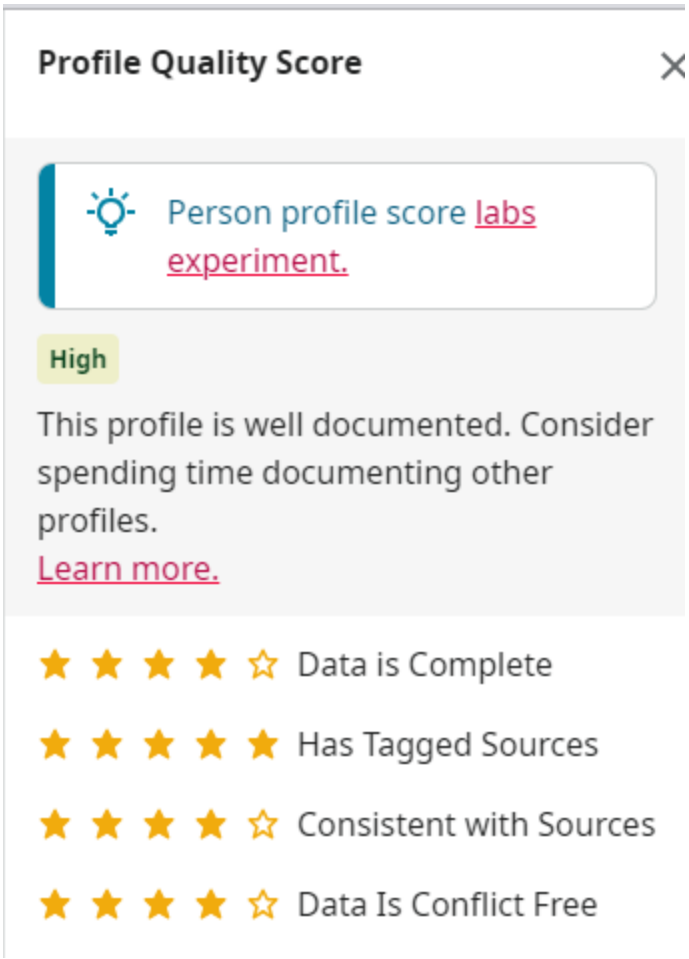
Expand your search with Full Text
Unlock hidden discoveries in historical records that have never been searchable until now.
TURN OFF
Go To Experiment
Family Tree
Family Group Trees
Gather your family into a group, and see the same living tree. Enrich your history with photos, stories, and sources.
TRY IT
Help
Find Help with AI Search
Explore how an AI-assisted search might provide better guidance and help for doing research and using the FamilySearch website.
TURN OFF
Go To Experiment
Family Search
Together by FamilySearch
Build stronger family connections and make unforgettable memories.
TURN OFF
Go To Experiment
Person
Profile Quality Score
Display a quality estimate for a profile in the Family Tree. Only available on certain profiles.
TRY IT

The FAQ for the Profile Quality Score experiment will open. Scroll down and locate the 'How can I try out the prototype?' section. In that section is a long blue button to Enable Experiment.

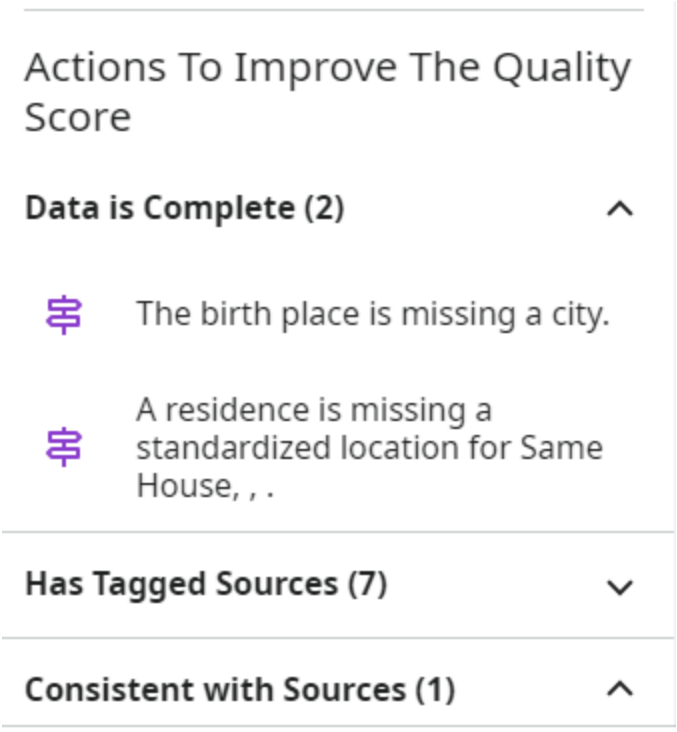

How can I try out the prototype?
You can enable and disable the feature for your account with the buttons below.
ENABLE EXPERIMENT (SHOW QUALITY INDICATOR ON ELIGIBLE PROFILES)
DISABLE EXPERIMENT

Once enabled, then the 'Profile Quality Score' will appear below a person's name and dates if the profile is eligible.

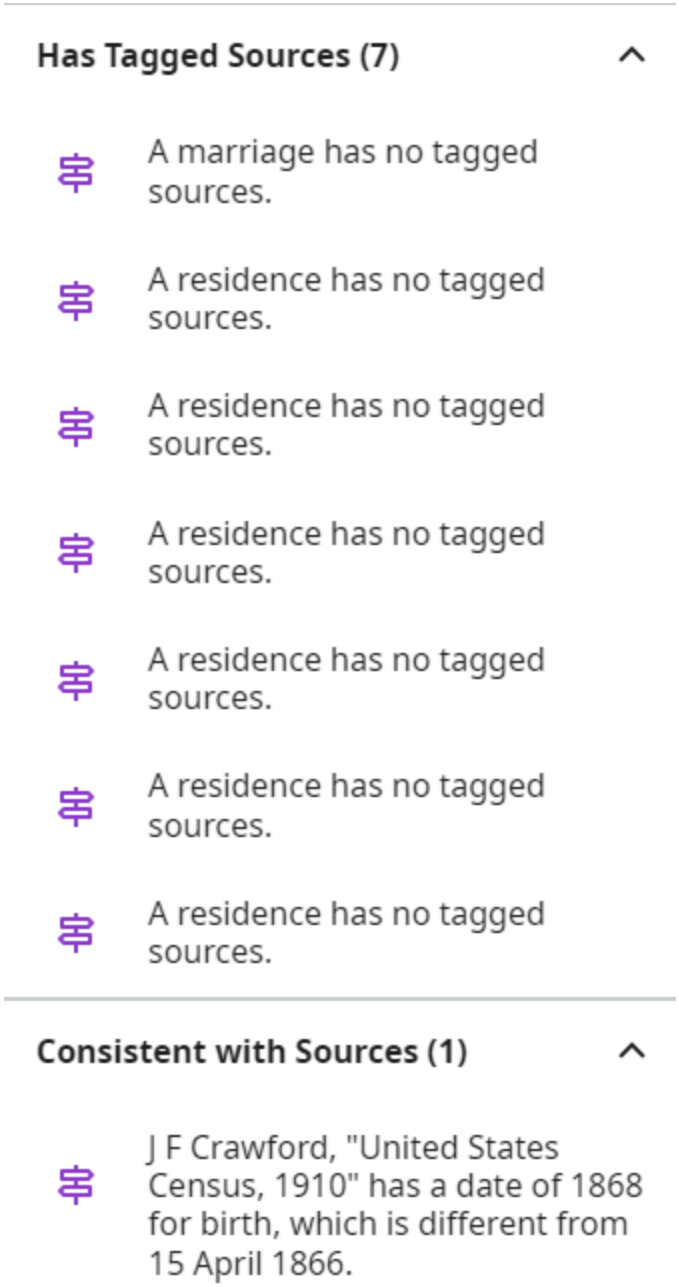
When one clicks on the graphic, a panel opens on the right providing more information about the score. Even though Judson Foster Crawford was given a 'High' Profile Quality Score, his profile did not get 4 stars in every category.



Below the stars is a section titled, 'Actions to Improve the Quality Score'


Actions To Improve The Quality Score
Data is Complete (2)
The birth place is missing a city.
A residence is missing a standardized location for Same House, , .
Has Tagged Sources (7)
Consistent with Sources (1)

While the heading ‘Has Tagged Sources’ sounds like a positive comment, it is actually negative. This profile has 7 events that do not have an associated source.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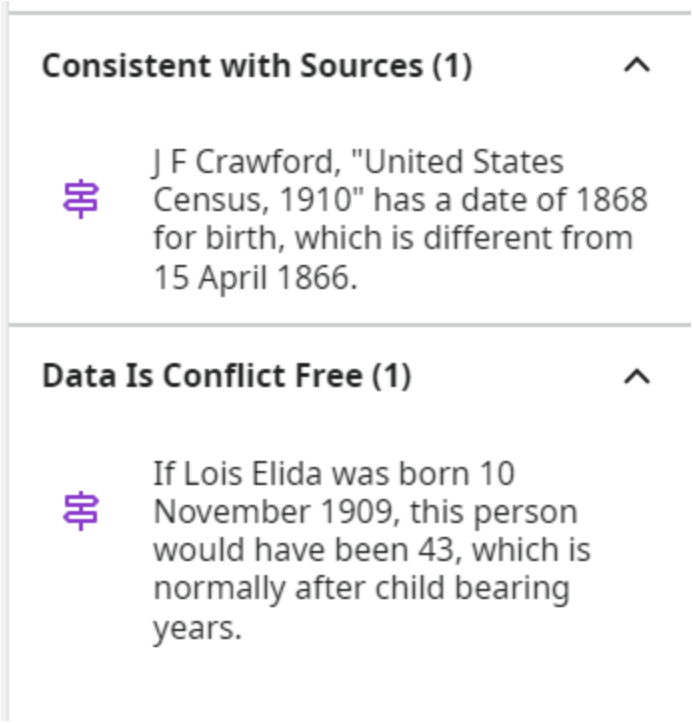
J F Crawford, "United States Census, 1910" has a date of 1868 for birth, which is different from 15 April 1866.

The data is also evaluated for consistency and for conflicts.


Consistent with Sources (1)
J F Crawford, "United States Census, 1910" has a date of 1868 for birth, which is different from 15 April 1866.
Data Is Conflict Free (1)
If Lois Elida was born 10 November 1909, this person would have been 43, which is normally after child bearing years.

Even though a score of HIGH was given to the profile of Judson Foster Crawford, there are issues with his profile that can be fixed.

- 1935 residence location is shown as ‘Same House’. This is exactly what the 1940 census record is saying. Since it is not an appropriate entry for a location, it can easily be corrected.
- Sources can be tagged for his marriage and the various events on his profile

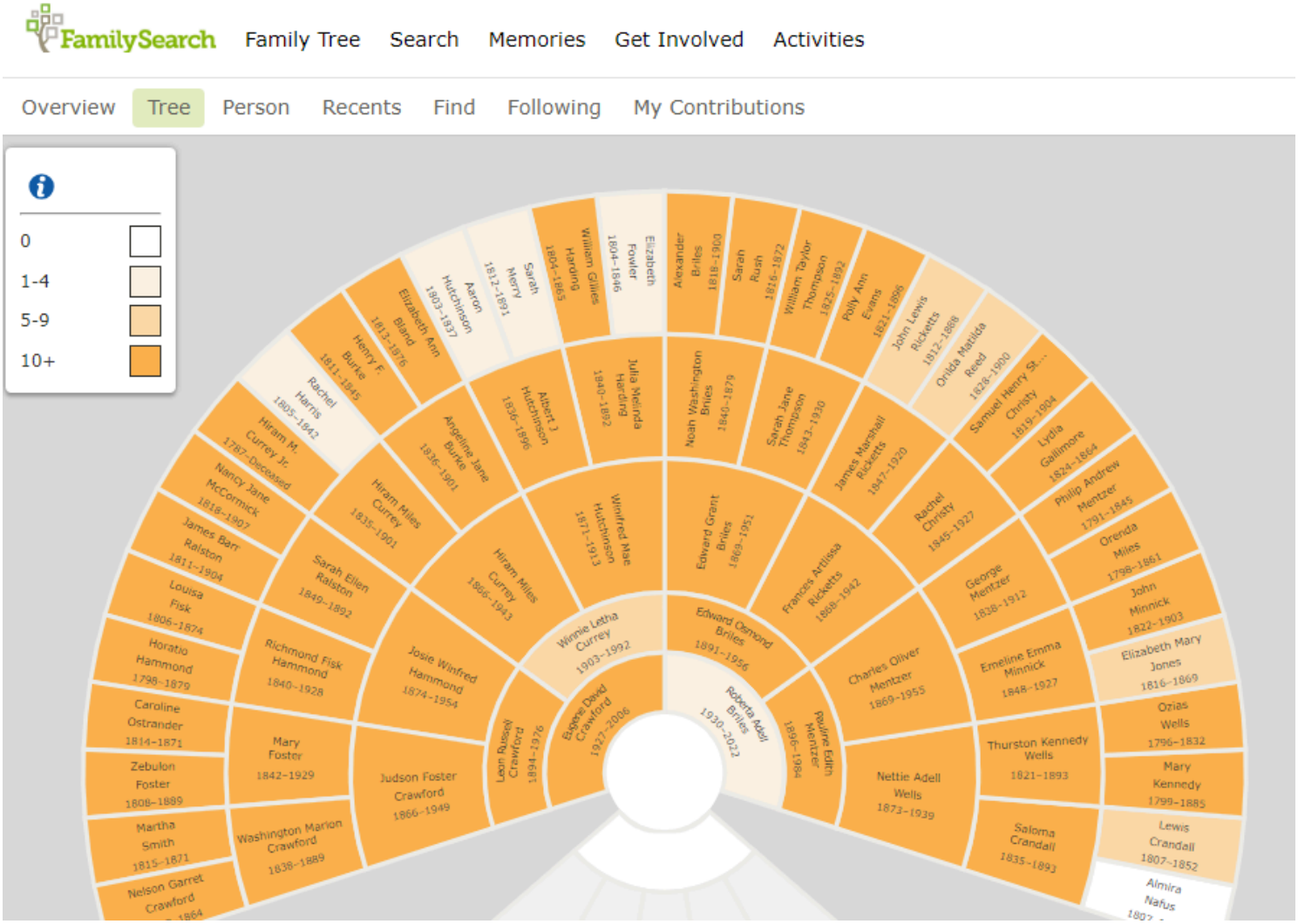
The analysis of the profile found other ‘potential errors’.

- Birthplace missing a city
- Birthdate is different than implied birthdate from census record
- Judson was 43 when youngest child was born

While these ‘potential errors’ are something that an analysis of the profile would uncover, they are not errors. By identifying them as ‘potential errors’ it did cause me to recheck sources.

At this time, I haven’t found a way to display the ‘profile quality score’ for everyone in a tree. Hopefully, that is a feature that will be added as this tool is developed.

As a work around, the number of sources attached to a person will provide clues to what the profile quality score will be. Thus, the ‘SOURCES’ view of the fan chart could be used to help find profiles needing work.



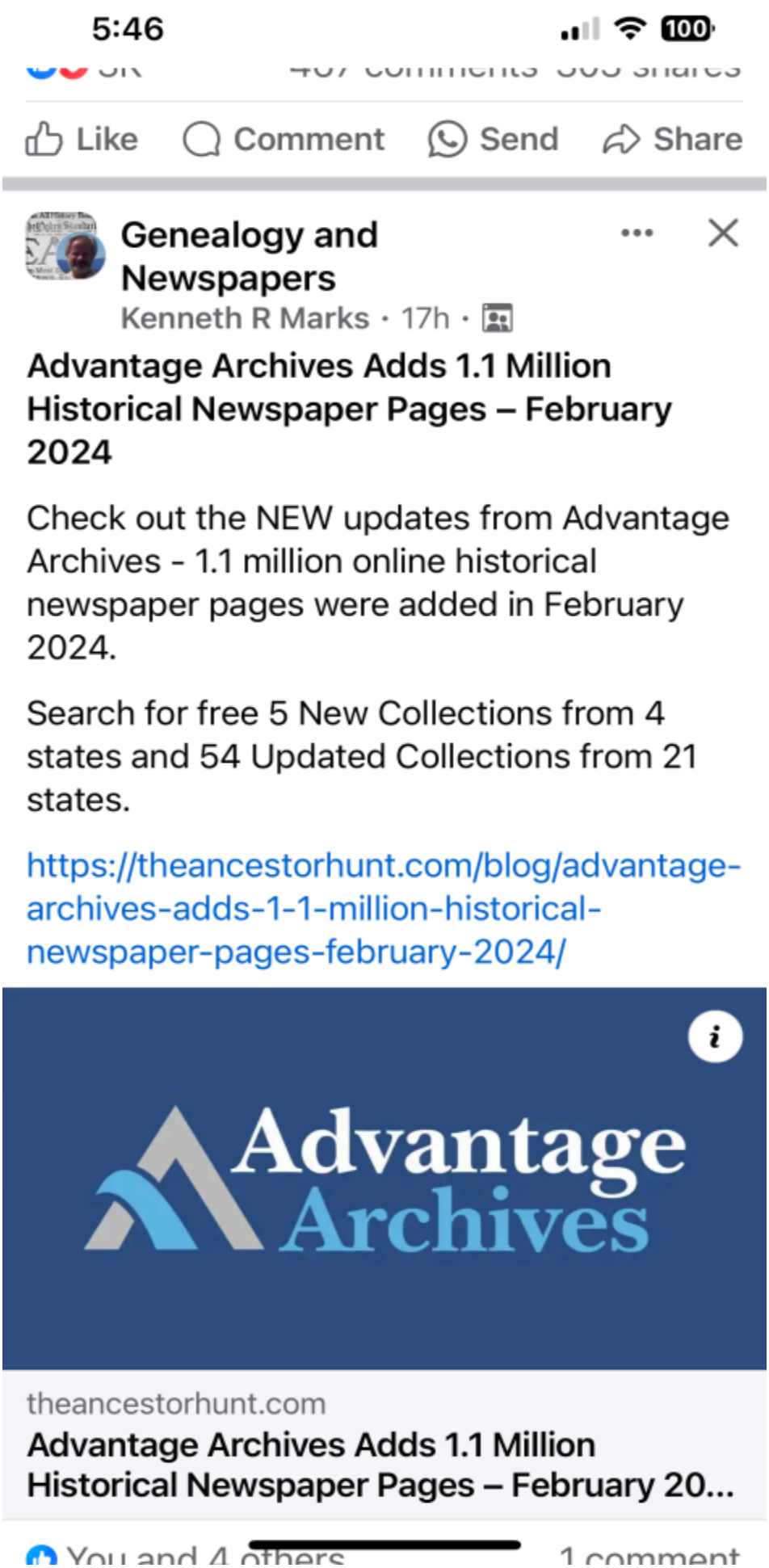
I like this tool! It will not only help me identify problems with ancestral profiles but will also help me as I research descendants of my ancestors. It should also help others realize the value of the FamilySearch tree.

Libraries and Newspapers

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 14, 2024
Libraries,Newspapers

Do you seek out marriage notices, obituaries and other items from newspapers when researching your family? Do you like to use free resources when available? If the answer to both questions is ‘yes’, then make sure you check out the local library to see if they have digitized newspapers.

I was reminded of this valuable resource when I saw a recent post by Kenneth Marks to Facebook.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Genealogy and Newspapers
Kenneth R Marks · 17h ·
Advantage Archives Adds 1.1 Million Historical Newspaper Pages – February 2024
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Search for free 5 New Collections from 4 states and 54 Updated Collections from 21 states.
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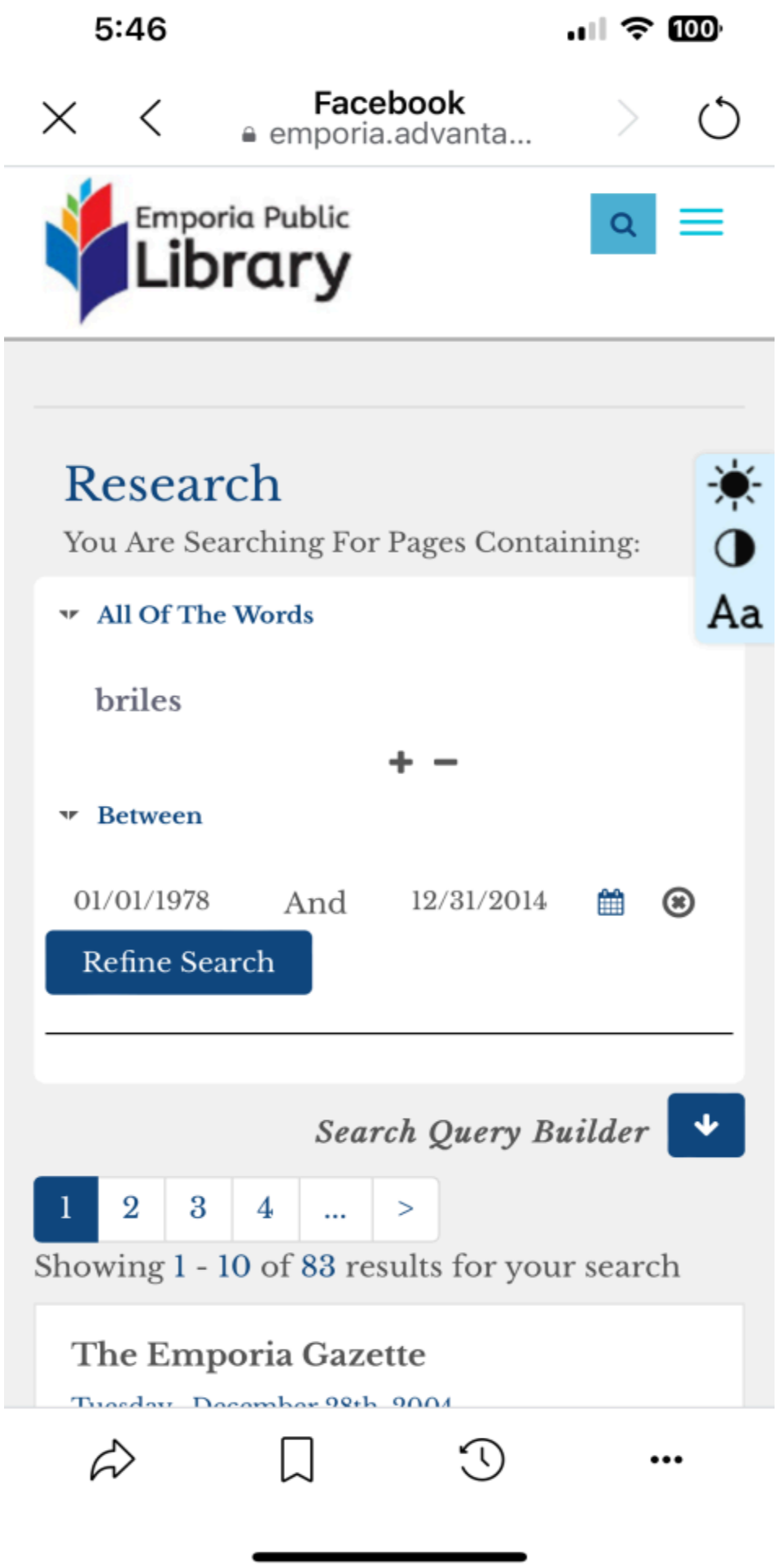
When I followed his link, I discovered that the Emporia (KS) newspapers had been updated. A quick search of the Emporia Public Library's digiization of the Emporia Gazette for my BRILES surname turned up quite a few articles that I need to review.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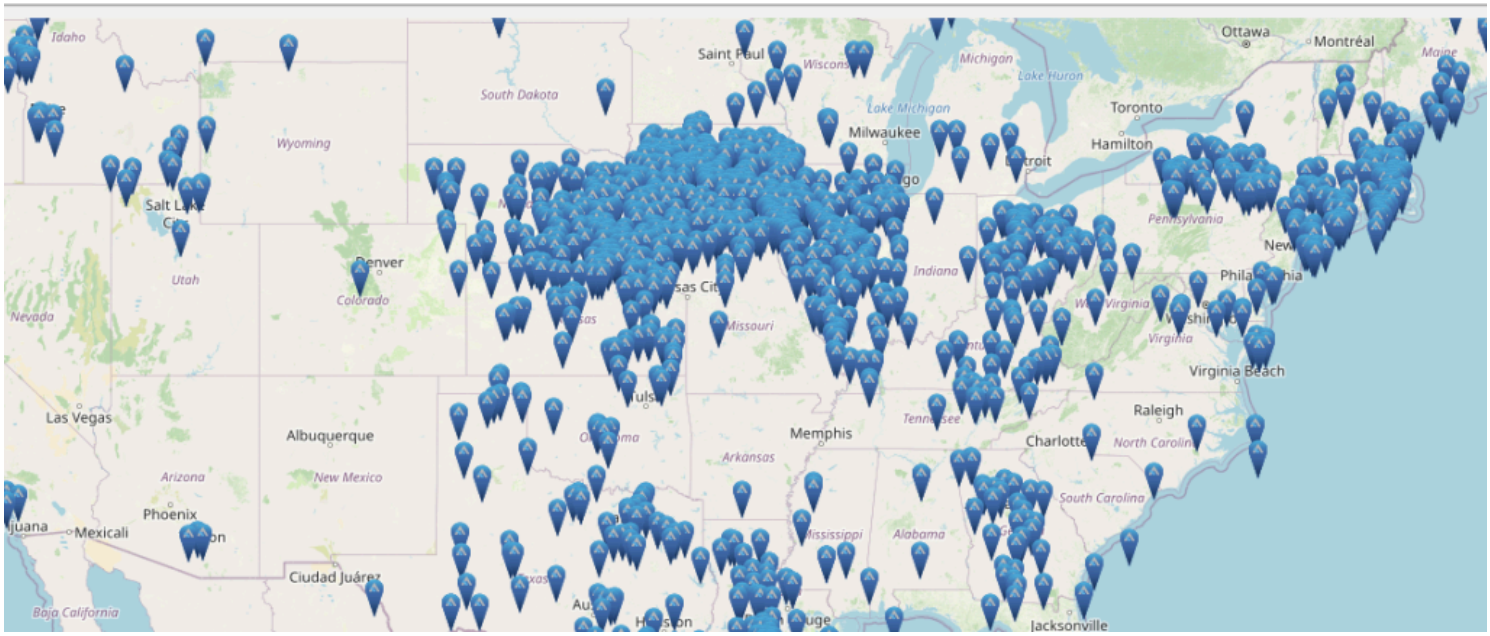
The Emporia Gazette

Since I use the digitized Seneca newspapers all the time for my Nemaha County, Kansas research I was aware that many Kansas libraries have used Advantage Archives to digitize their newspaper holdings. This is in addition to the project by the Kansas State Historical Society to digitize the Kansas newspapers on Newspapers.com.

Thanks to Kenneth Marks' efforts to find and catalog free genealogy resources, his Newspapers page leads to lists of these free newsapers, including those digitized by the local public libraries, for each state. The list for Kansas is LONG so be sure to scroll thru to the bottom to make sure you don't miss a paper. This page is divided into sections based on the source of the digitized paper:

- Kansas Historical Newspapers (Chronicling America)
- Google News
- Kansas Digial Newspapers (even though dates are not indicated, this is basically thru 1923)
- County and Library Collections — arranged by county

If in doubt about the efforts of the local public libraries to digitize their newspaper holdings, check ou this map from Advantage Archives on the digitized newspapers on their site.



I am very thankful that local libraries are contributing to the wealth of resources by digitizing their newspaper holding.

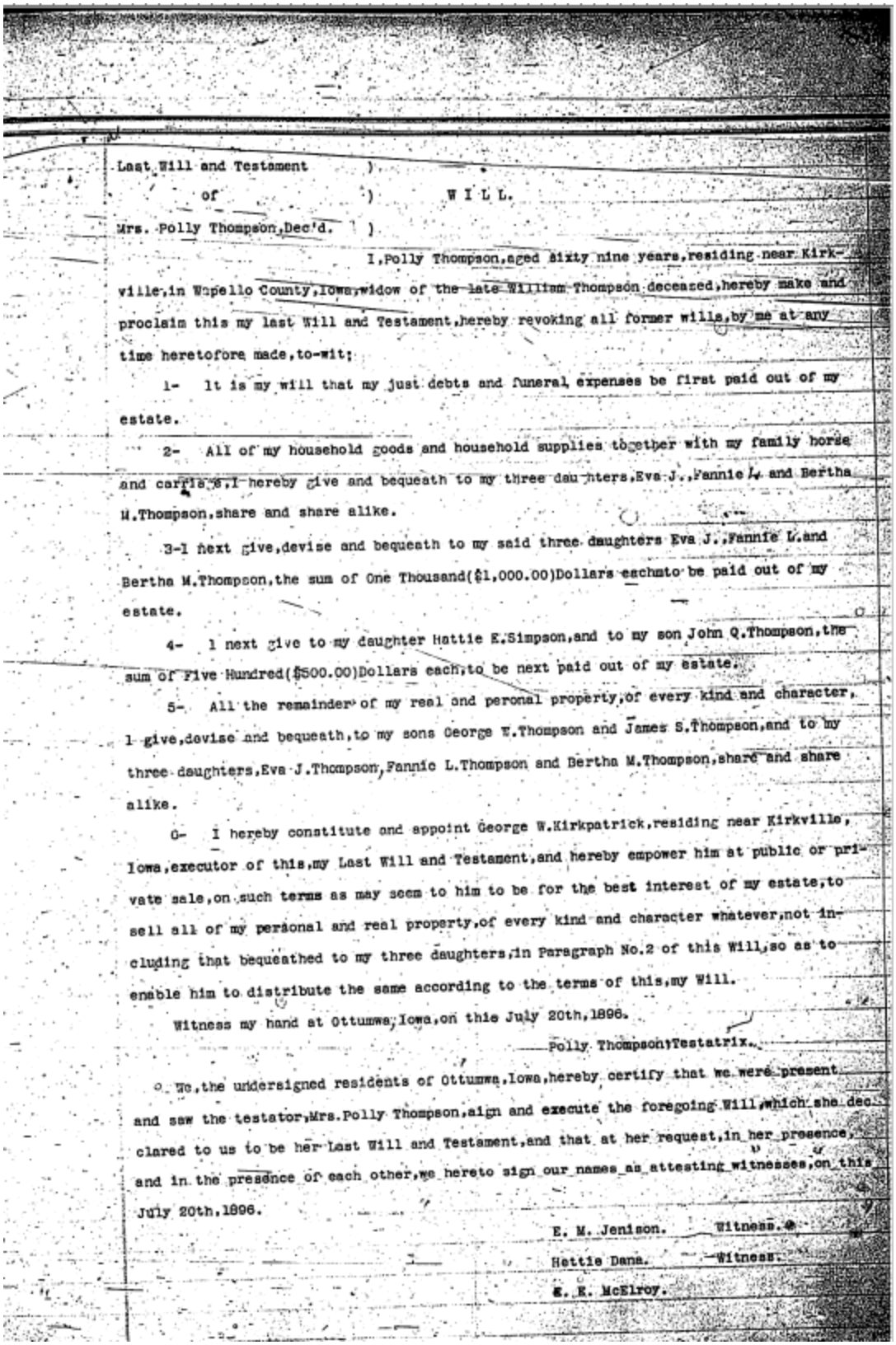
Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 15, 2024
Iowa,Thompson

Do you have photocopies from microfilm in your files? If so, do you have the documentation on them? I have to admit that I have such undocumented photocopies of county records. Today's find is an 1896 Wapello County, Iowa will for Polly Thompson.

> Wapello County, Iowa
>
> Last Will and Testament
> of
> Mrs. Polly Thompson, Dec'd
>
> Will
>
> I, Polly Thompson, aged sixty nine years, residing near Kirkville, in Wapello County, Iowa, widow of the late William Thompson deceased, hereby make and proclaim this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills, by me at any time heretofore made, to-wit:
> 1 – It is my will that my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid out of my estate.
> 2 – All of my household goods and household supplies together with my family horse and carriage. I hereby give and bequeath to my three daughters, Eva J., Fannie L. and Bertha M. Thompson, share and share alike.
> 3 – I next give, devise and bequeath to my said three daughters Eva J., Fannie L., and Bertha M. Thompson, the sum of one thousand ($1,000.00) dollars each to be paid out of my estate.
> 4 – I next give to my daughter Hattie E. Simpson, and to my son John Q. Thompson, the sum of five hundred ($500.00) dollars each, to be next paid out of my estate.
> 5 – All the remainder of my real and personal property, of every kind and character, I give, devise and bequeath to my sons George W. Thompson and James S. Thompson and to my three daughters, Eva J. Thompson, Fannie L. Thompson and Bertha M. Thompson, share and share alike.
> 6 – I hereby constitute and appoint George W. Kirkpatrick, residing near Kirkville, Iowa, executor of this, my last Will and Testament, and hereby empower im at public or private sale, on such terms as may seem to him to be for the best interest of my estate, to sell all of my personal and real property, of every kind and character whatever, not including that bequeathed to my three daughters, in Paragraph NO. 2 of this will, so as to enable him to distribute the same according to the terms of this, my will.
> Witness my hand at Ottumwa, Iowa, on this July 20th, 1896.
> Polly Thompson; Testatrix
> We, the undersigned residents of Ottumwa, Iowa, hereby certify that we were present and saw the testator, Mrs. Polly Thompson, sign and execute the foregoing will, which she declared to us to be her Last Will and Testament, and that at her request, in her presence, and in the presence of each other, we hereto sign our names as attesting witnesses, on this July 20th, 1896.
> W. M. Jenison. Witness
> Hettie Dana. Witness
> E. E. McElroy

I was unsuccessful locating this will using FamilySearch's new 'Experimental Search'.



Last Will and Testament)
of) W I L L.
Mrs. Polly Thompson,Dec'd.)

I,Polly Thompson,aged sixty nine years,residing near Kirkville,in Wapello County,Iowa,widow of the late William Thompson deceased,hereby make and proclaim this my last Will and Testament,hereby revoking all former wills,by me at any time heretofore made,to-wit;

1- It is my will that my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid out of my estate.

2- All of my household goods and household supplies together with my family horse and carrige,I hereby give and bequeath to my three daughters,Eva J.,Fannie L. and Bertha M.Thompson,share and share alike.

3-I next give,devise and bequeath to my said three daughters Eva J.,Fannie L.and Bertha M.Thompson,the sum of One Thousand($1,000.00)Dollars eachto be paid out of my estate.

4- I next give to my daughter Hattie E.Simpson,and to my son John Q.Thompson,the sum of Five Hundred($500.00)Dollars each,to be next paid out of my estate.

5- All the remainder of my real and peronal property,of every kind and character, I give,devise and bequeath,to my sons George W.Thompson and James S.Thompson,and to my three daughters,Eva J.Thompson,Fannie L.Thompson and Bertha M.Thompson,share and share alike.

6- I hereby constitute and appoint George W.Kirkpatrick,residing near Kirkville, Iowa,executor of this,my Last Will and Testament,and hereby empower him at public or private sale,on such terms as may seem to him to be for the best interest of my estate,to sell all of my personal and real property,of every kind and character whatever,not including that bequeathed to my three daughters,in Paragraph No.2 of this Will,so as to enable him to distribute the same according to the terms of this,my Will.

Witness my hand at Ottumwa,Iowa,on thie July 20th,1896.

Polly Thompson,Testatrix.

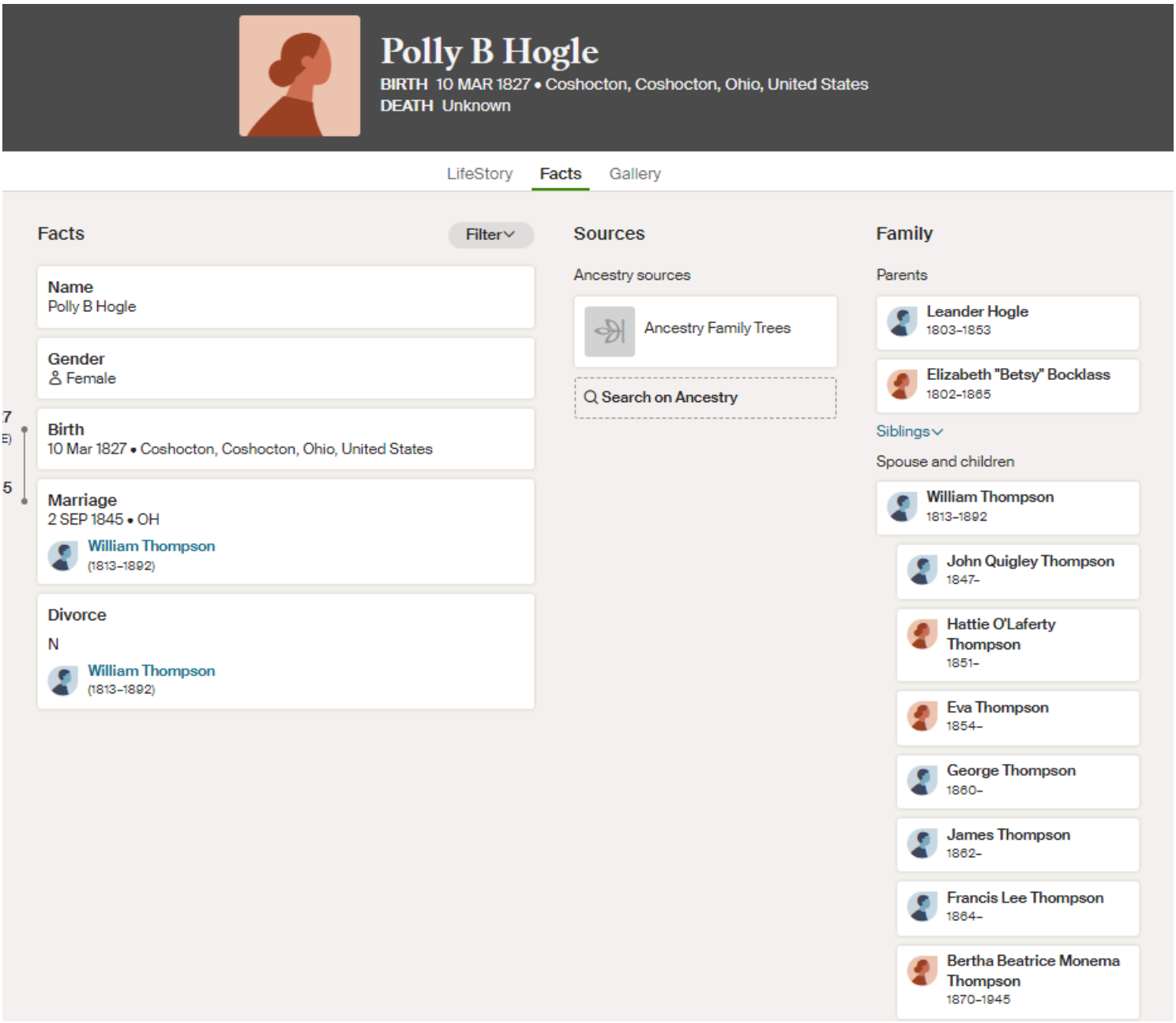
We,the undersigned residents of Ottumwa,Iowa,hereby certify that we were present and saw the testator,Mrs.Polly Thompson,sign and execute the foregoing Will,which she declared to us to be her Last Will and Testament,and that at her request,in her presence, and in the presence of each other,we hereto sign our names as attesting witnesses,on this July 20th,1896.

E. M. Jenison. Witness.

Hattie Dana. Witness.

E. E. McElroy.

Since this will is NOT for my William and Polly Thompson ancestral family, I searched Ancestry's public trees and found the goins tree which seems to fit the will.



Since I have Mary Hogle in my Ancestry tree, I uploaded an image of the will to her gallery and added the transcription to the description of the image. I also messaged the owner of the goins tree with information about the will.

A trip to my local public library allowed me to locate the will. Thus, I can create a citation for the will.

> Iowa, Wapello County. Will records, 1856-1906. Film #979673 DGS 7592015. Polly Thompson, 20 July 1896; Vol. 4: page 87; digitized images, FamilySearch http://www.familysearch.org : viewed online 11 March 2024.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 16, 2024
Nemaha County,WWII

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30 Dec 1940
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Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

1051 Albert Siras Rokey
1052 John Bernard Holthaus
1053 John Raymond Heiniger
1054 Raymond Howard Lines
1055 Ruben Frederick Lehmann
1056 Lawrence Leonard Lindeen
1057 Rolland Westly Harmon
1058 Elmer Kenneth Stalcup
1059 Jessee Edward Parsons
1060 Philip Edward Feldkamp
1061 Edwin Michael Casey
1062 Kenneth Eugene Wiggins
1063 Robert Vincent Vardy
1064 Harry Lyle Hittle
1065 Ned Wilson Rokey
1066 Raymond Gerald McKee
1067 Samuel Edelman
1068 Frank Bernard Brokamp
1069 Marion Lawrence Potter
1070 Reo Andrew Strahm
1071 Charles Herbert Smith
1072 Orson Euel Kirkman
1073 Paul Henry Gooch
1074 Kenneth Lawrence Brown
1075 Allie Anthony Niehues
1076 Norman Stauffer
1077 Earl Luman McQuillen
1078 Paul Laufs Norton
1079 Clarence Wilson Morton Jr
1080 Everett William Flaherty
1081 Eugene Frederick Pffeider
1082 Orville Jacob Wittmer
1083 George Calfin White
1084 Lawrence Anthony Huerter
1085 Edwin Joseph Rettele
1086 Raymond Henry Wessel
1087 Howard Lawson Frans
1088 Elmer Lee Flott
1089 Arthur Edward Kuenzi
1090 Levi Edelman
1091 Roy Lavere Fund
1092 Lloyd Herbert Flott
1093 Donald Quintin Haug
1094 Raymond John Stallbaumer
1095 Clarence Llewelyn Wilson
1096 Alfred Charles Offenberger
1097 Noel Francis Young
1093 Walter William Fund

1099 John Woodrow gilbert
1100 James Arthur Barker
1101 Albert Henry Rottinghaus
1102 Edward Nolan Murdock
1103 Oliver Lewis Robinson
1104 Raymond A. Eisenbarth
1105 Edwin Kendrick Laughter
1106 Elmer Joseph Olberding
1107 John Willis McGinty
1108 Wilbur Judson Neil
1109 Francis Julius Droge
1110 Bernard Francis Martin
1111 George Hall Joyce
1112 Melvin Henry Bonjour
1113 James Walter McDaniel
1114 Lewis Edward Bryan
1115 Lawrence Glenn Walton
1116 Frank Henry Haverkamp
1117 Alvie Leroy Loveall
1118 Joe Frank Rethman Jr
1119 Vernon Arthur Wittmer
1120 Raymond Lawrence Cross
1121 Albert Niehues
1122 Lloyd Wright Jones
1123 Joseph Henry Johnson
1124 Cecil August Gruetze
1125 Clarence Wesley Beck
1126 Clarence Leo Thieme
1127 Nicholas Leander Hulsing
1128 Vincent Monroe Abrams
1129 Wayne Hugh Griffith
130 George C. Aeschliman
1131 Gerald Nelson Farley
1132 Joseph Eugene Mulryan
1133 Leonard Ralph Rockwell
1134 Eugene Conrad Reinhardt
1135 Raymond Bernard Skoch
1136 Adolph Henry Boeckman
1137 Ivol Heiniger Stoldt
1183 Fred Ukele
1139 Joseph Francis Heiman
1140 Delbert Clearance Richards
1141 Paul John Altenhofen
1142 Vincent Henry Lackey
1143 Thomas Franklin Slocum
1144 Wilfred Henry Rettele
1145 Lawrence Eldon Allen
1146 Charles Burton King
1147 Harry Boyd Kerr
1148 Robert Lohmuller Jenkins
1149 John Harold Gruetze
1150 Francis Lloyd Savage

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 17, 2024
DNA,Ethnicity,Ralston,SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night again –

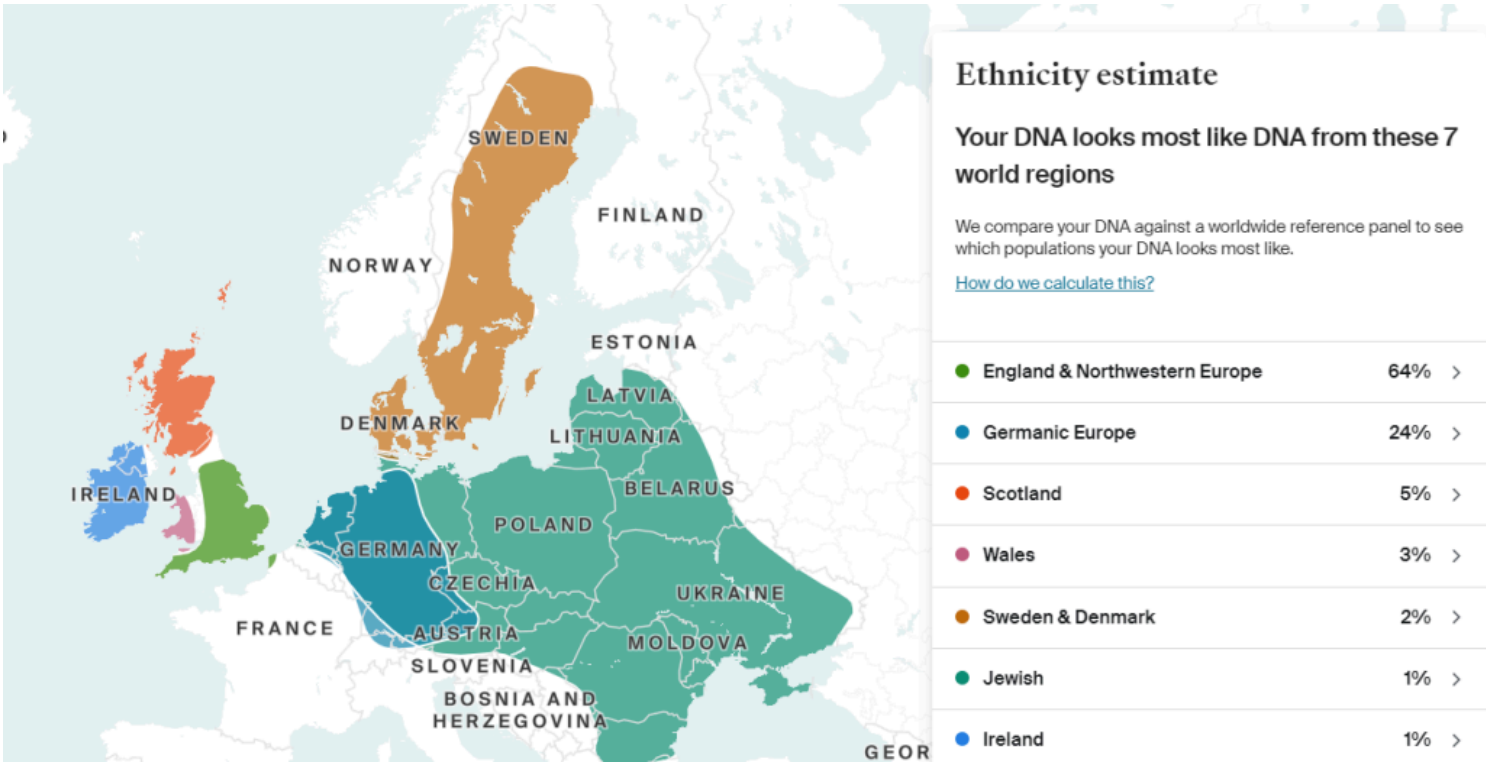
Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) This Sunday is St. Patrick's Day. Are you a descendant of Irish ancestors? Who are your most recent ancestor(s) who were born in Ireland? Do you have DNA Irish ethnicity? Have you performed any Irish genealogy research?

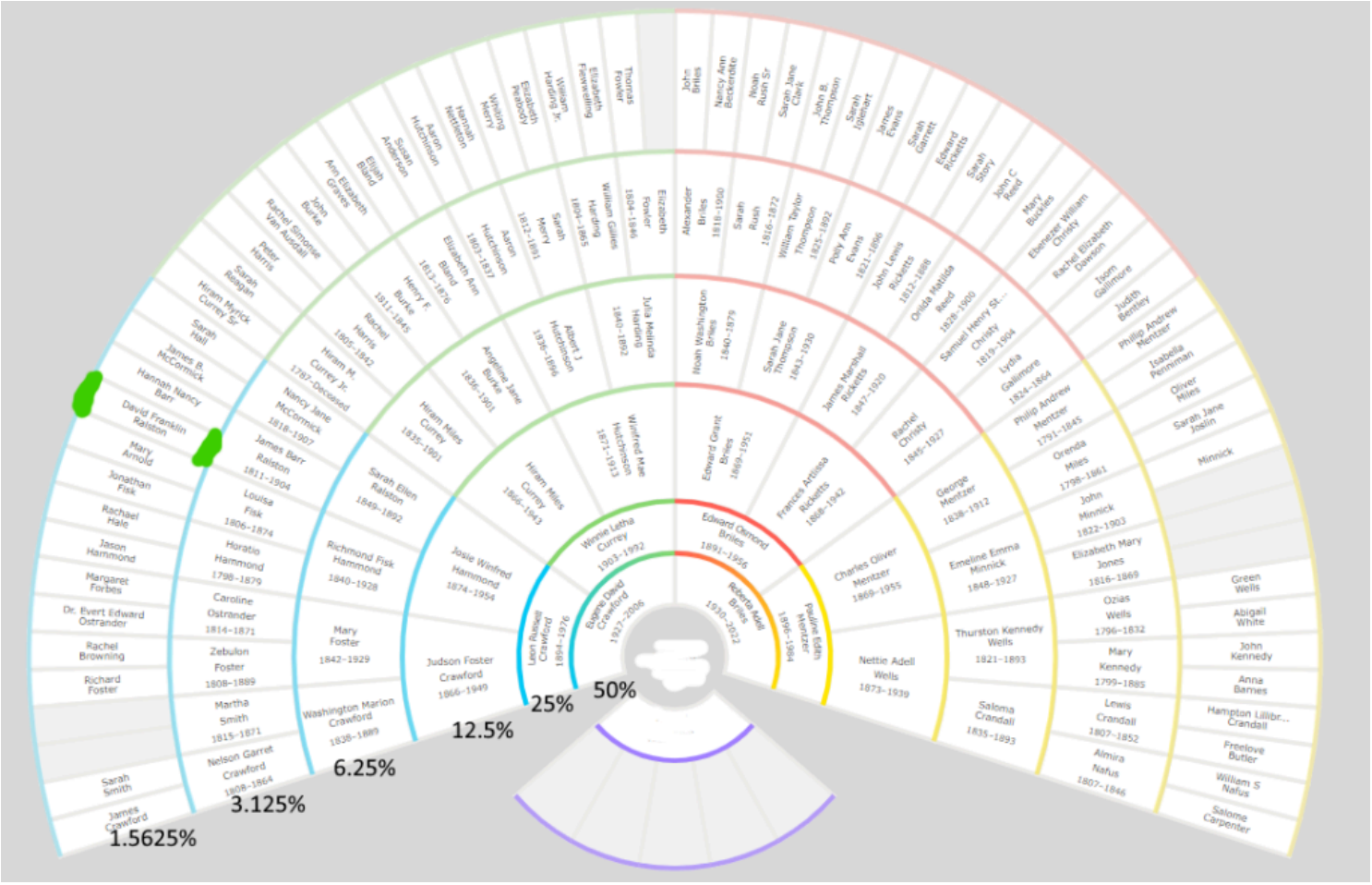
Where's My Irish?

Have you tried to use your DNA ethnicity results to figure out where your ancestors came from? When the 1% Irish showed up in Ancestry Ethnicity results, I started wondering who my Irish ancestor was.



Since my tree is basically colonial America, I haven't spent a lot of time trying to figure out my ethinicity. However, watching Diahan Southard's RootsTech 2024 session, You Can Do the DNA #2: Get Your Best Ethnicity Estimate, suggested that I might try to figure this out.

Working with the idea that a child only inherits 50% from a parent, I can figure out which generation to look at for my 1% Irish.



Thus, my Irish ancestor may be in the 7th generation – among my 4th great grandparents.

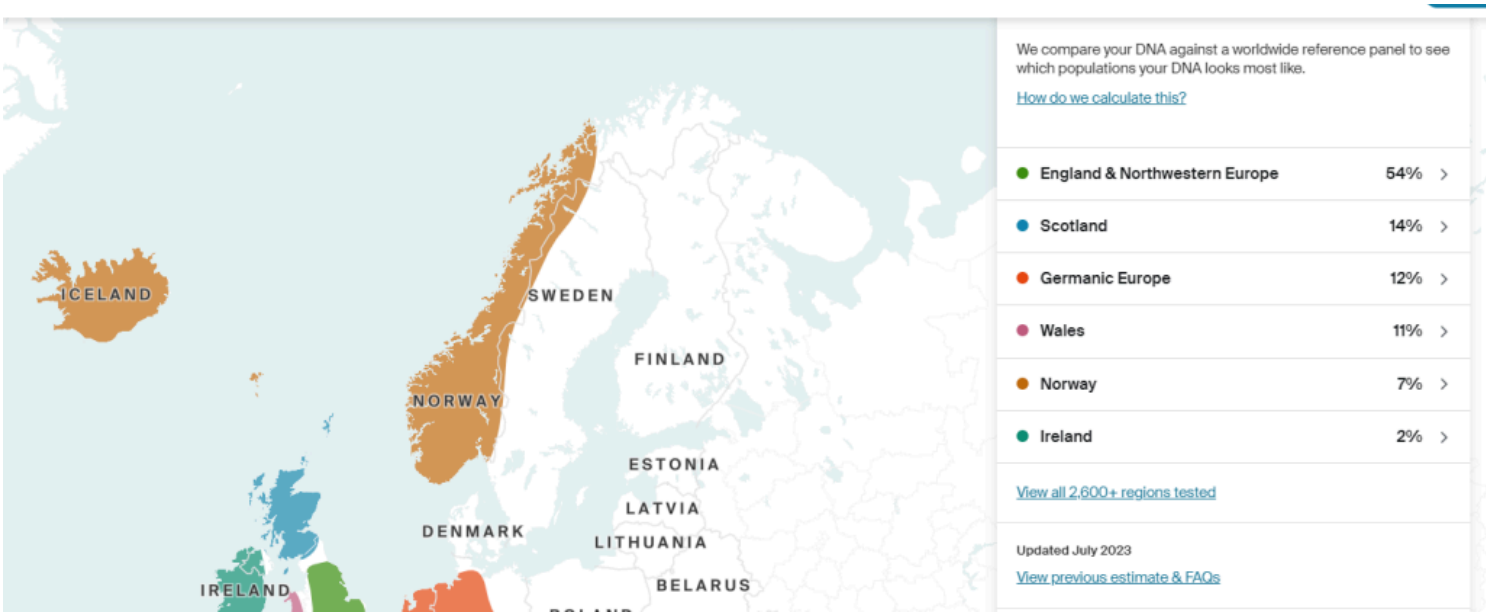
When I recently found the emigration record for David Ralston, his mother Anne and his siblings, I found that they emigrated from County Tyrone, Ireland aboard the ship, Strafford in 1803.

Quinn	Bridget	--			Monksfield	Galway	1847	Barbara	Derry
Rafferty	John	--	Ann	--	Monksfield	Galway	1847	Venice	Derry
Ralston	Anne	34	Anne	2	--	Tyrone	1803	Strafford	Derry
			Robert	19					
			David	15					

(*) See Endnotes

Thus, I thought I'd found my Irish ancestral line: my RALSTON line. When I checked Google to learn more about the RALSTON surname, I found a link to a Clan Ralston site, only to discover that the RALSTON surname is SCOTTISH. Since County Tyrone is in northern Ireland, my Ralston ancestors probably migrated from Scotland to Ireland before migrating to the United States. Thus, my RALSTON ancestors probably are not my Irish ancestors.

When I checked my mom's ethnicity, I found that she is 2% Irish.



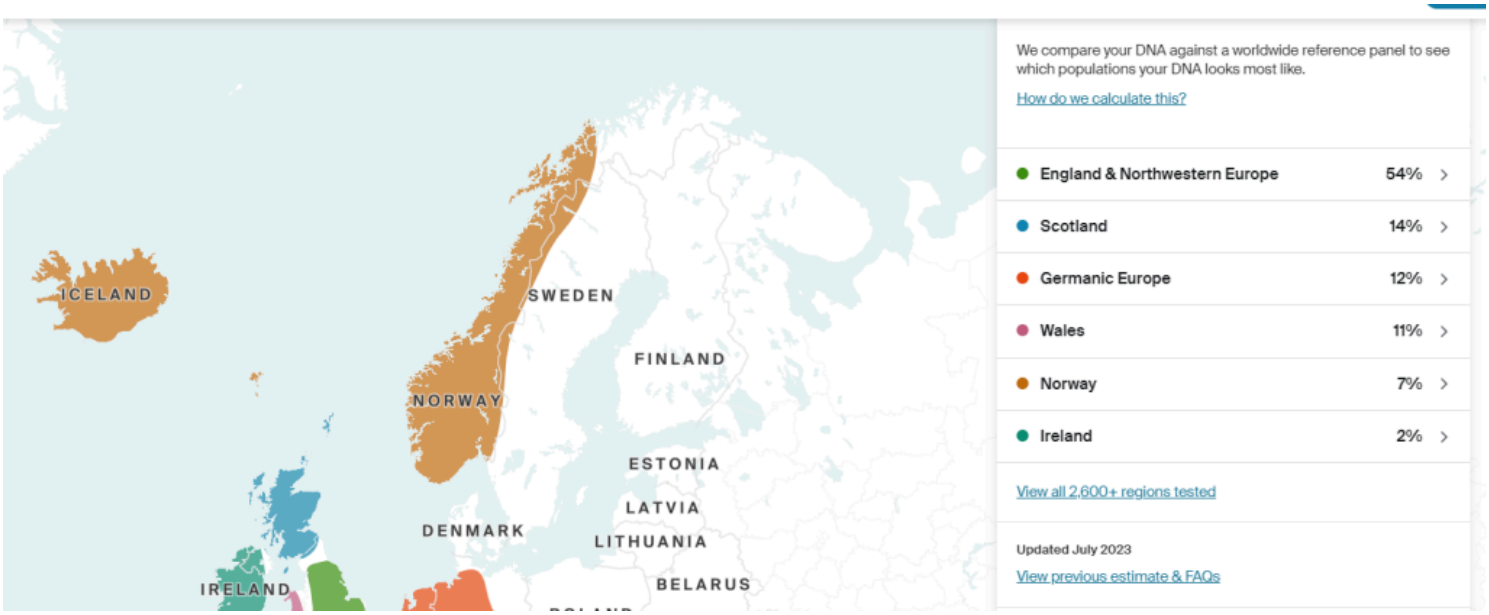
My Ralston line is on my dad's side of the tree. Knowing that my mother's ethnicity results indicate that she is 2% Irish, that suggests I need to be looking for my Irish ancestry on my mom's side of the tree. Knowing these ethnicity numbers along with the history of the RALSTON surname, I no longer think I've found my Irish.

Ancestry Sideview and Ethnicity

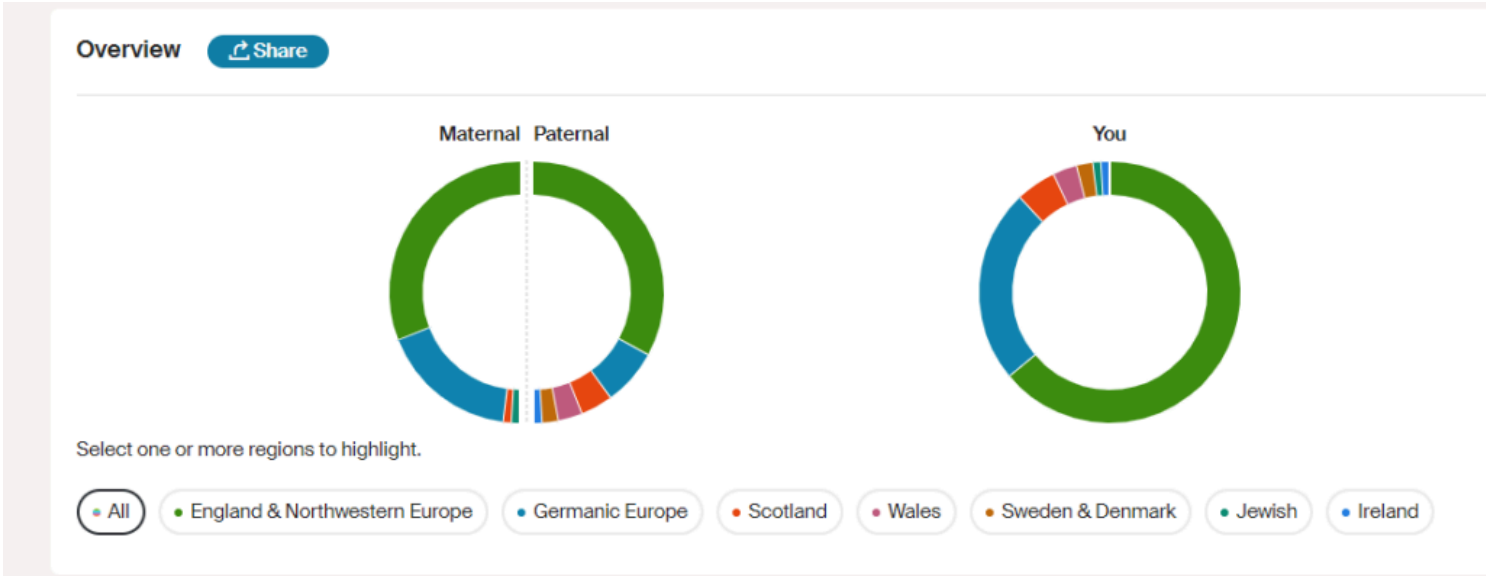
By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 18, 2024
Ancestry,DNA,Ethnicity

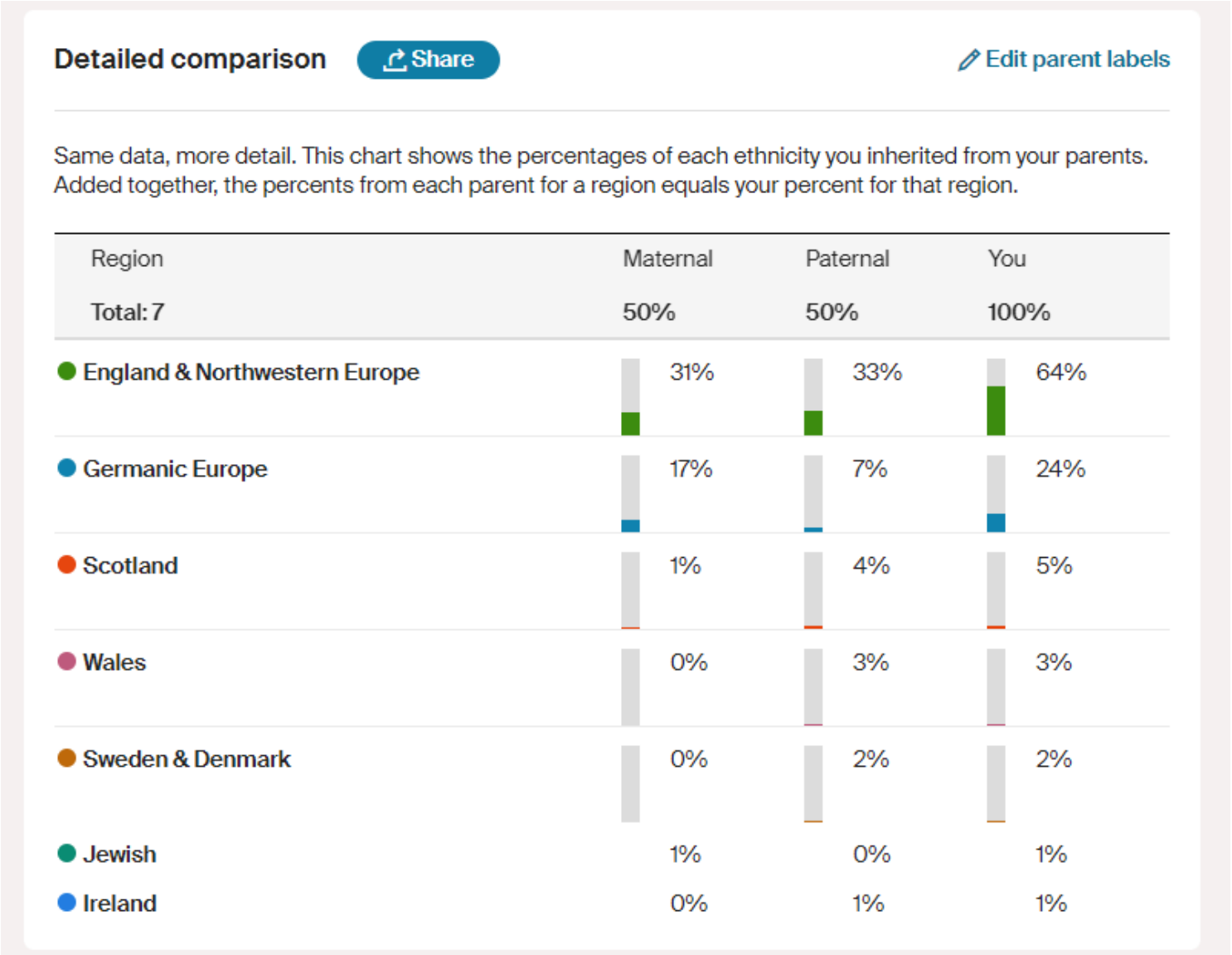
Have you tested a parent's DNA? If so, have you compared their ethnicity numbers to your ethnicities by parent information? I have to admit that I had not paid attention until I was looking for my Irish ancestry.

Since I've tested my mother, I have her ethnicity results.



When I looked at my 'Ethnicity by parents' page, I discovered my Irish ancestry on the paternal side of my tree and none on my maternal side of the tree.



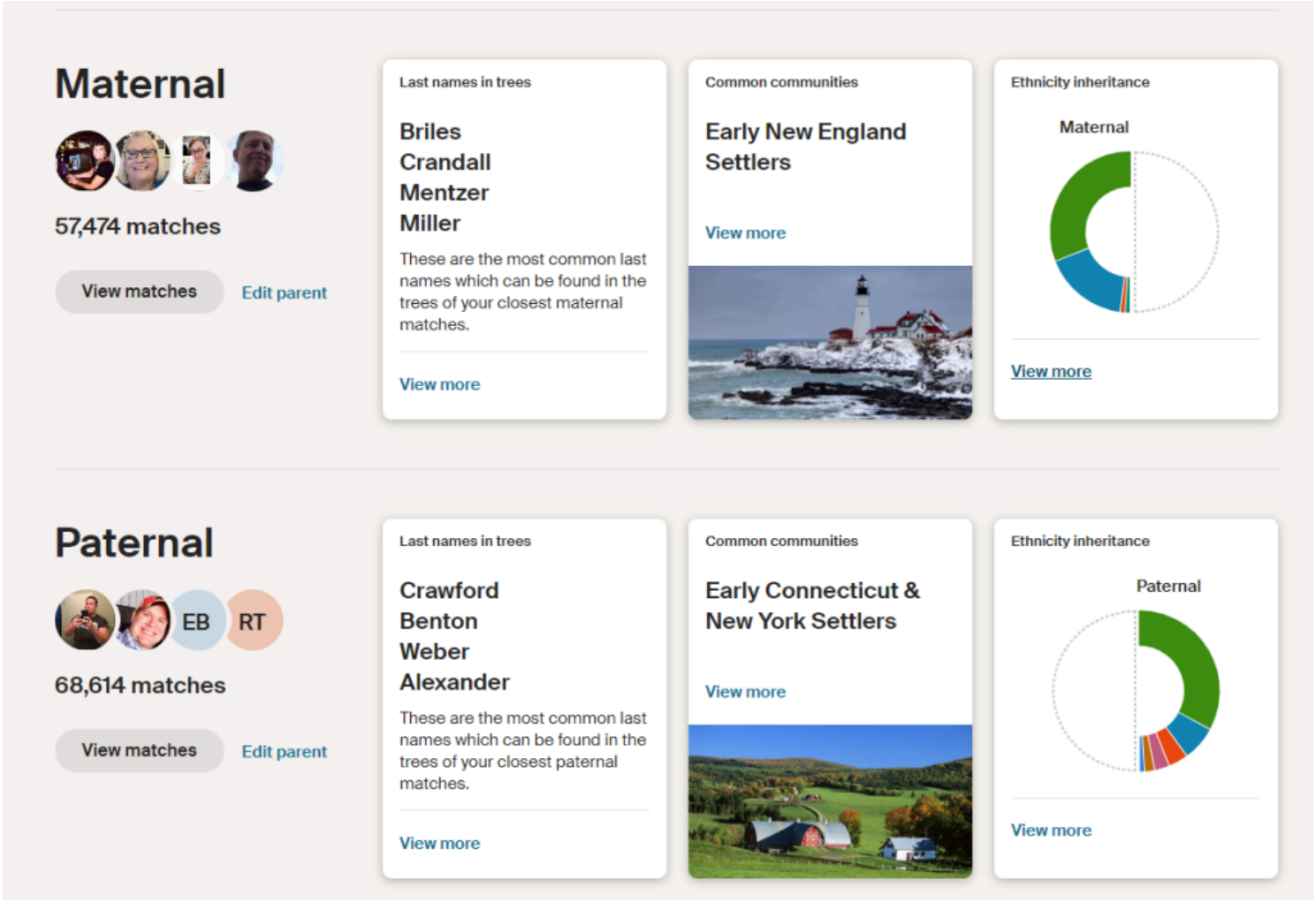


Detailed comparison Share Edit parent labels

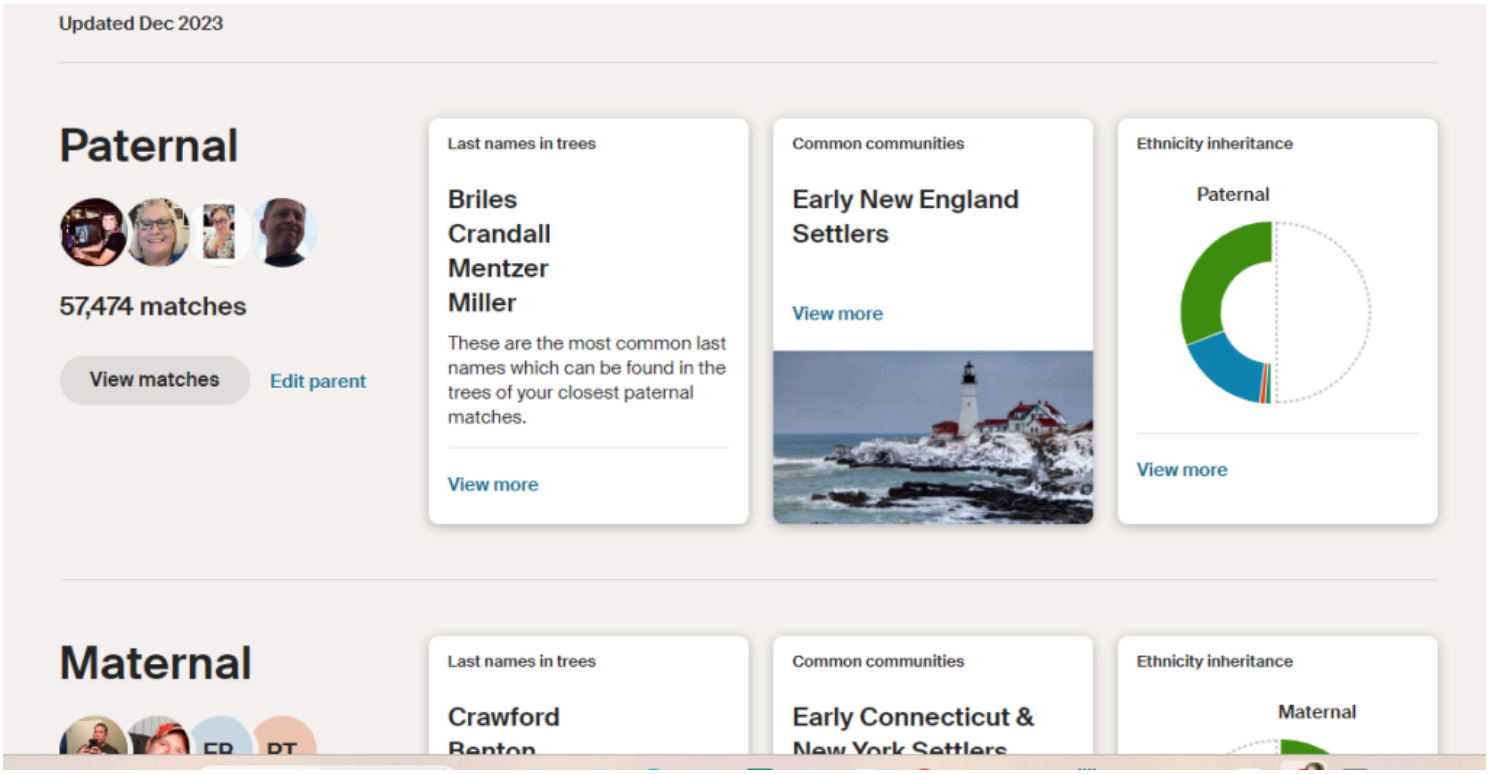
Same data, more detail. This chart shows the percentages of each ethnicity you inherited from your parents. Added together, the percents from each parent for a region equals your percent for that region.

Region	Maternal	Paternal	You
Total: 7	50%	50%	100%
England & Northwestern Europe	31%	33%	64%
Germanic Europe	17%	7%	24%
Scotland	1%	4%	5%
Wales	0%	3%	3%
Sweden & Denmark	0%	2%	2%
Jewish	1%	0%	1%
Ireland	0%	1%	1%

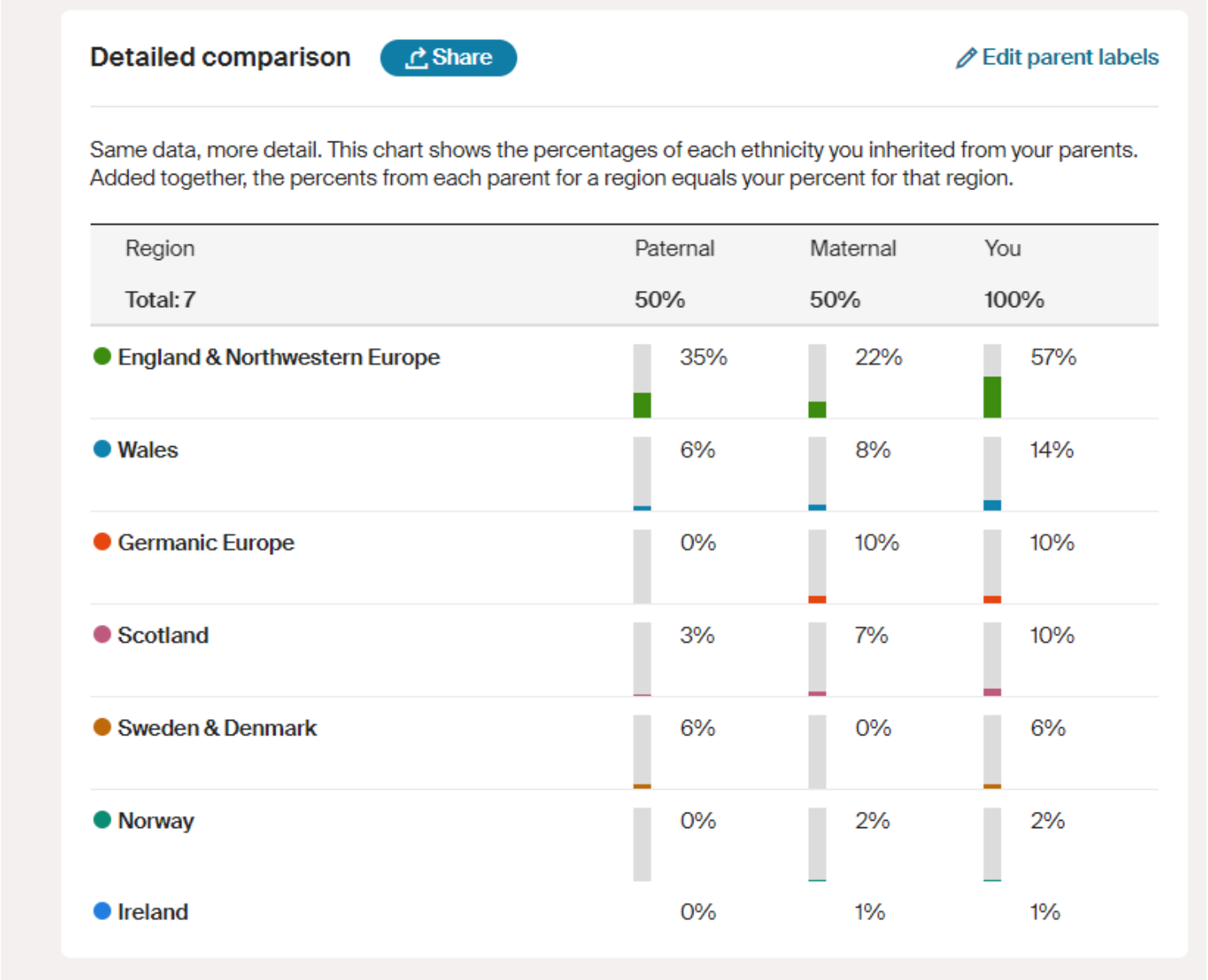
When I checked how sideview split my matches, I found that the suggested surnames for my maternal and paternal lines agreed with my research.



Hoping that the labels on the ethnicity page for maternal and paternal were separate from the match split, I tried editing the labels to switch the 1% Irish to my mother. However, that also switched the labels on my matches.

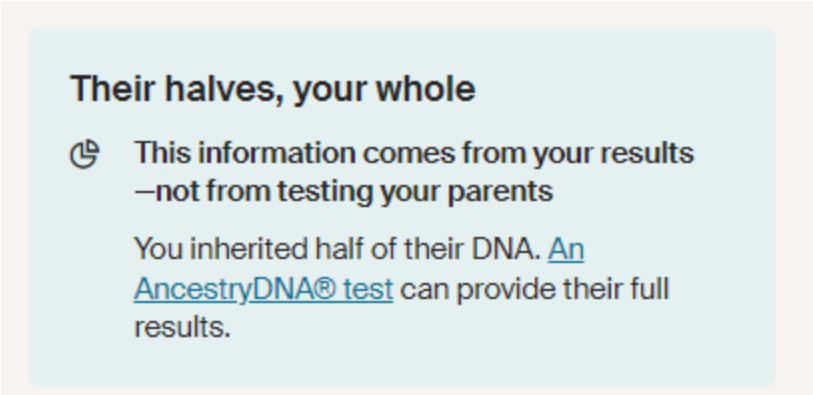


So Sideview technology is telling me to look for my Irish on my dad's side of the tree while my mother's DNA results are sying that I should look for Irish ancestry on her side of the tree. Since I have tested my brothers, I looked at their results and found that one of them has the Irish 1% assigned to the maternal side of the tree.



These ethnicity percentages for my brother and myself show that we each inherited DNA differently from our parents.

At first, I questioned why the maternal ethnicity percentages in sideview were different from the actual results for my mother. That was until I started reading the entire screen and found the disclaimer that the actual test results from a parent are NOT used when figuring out the Sideview ethnicity percents.

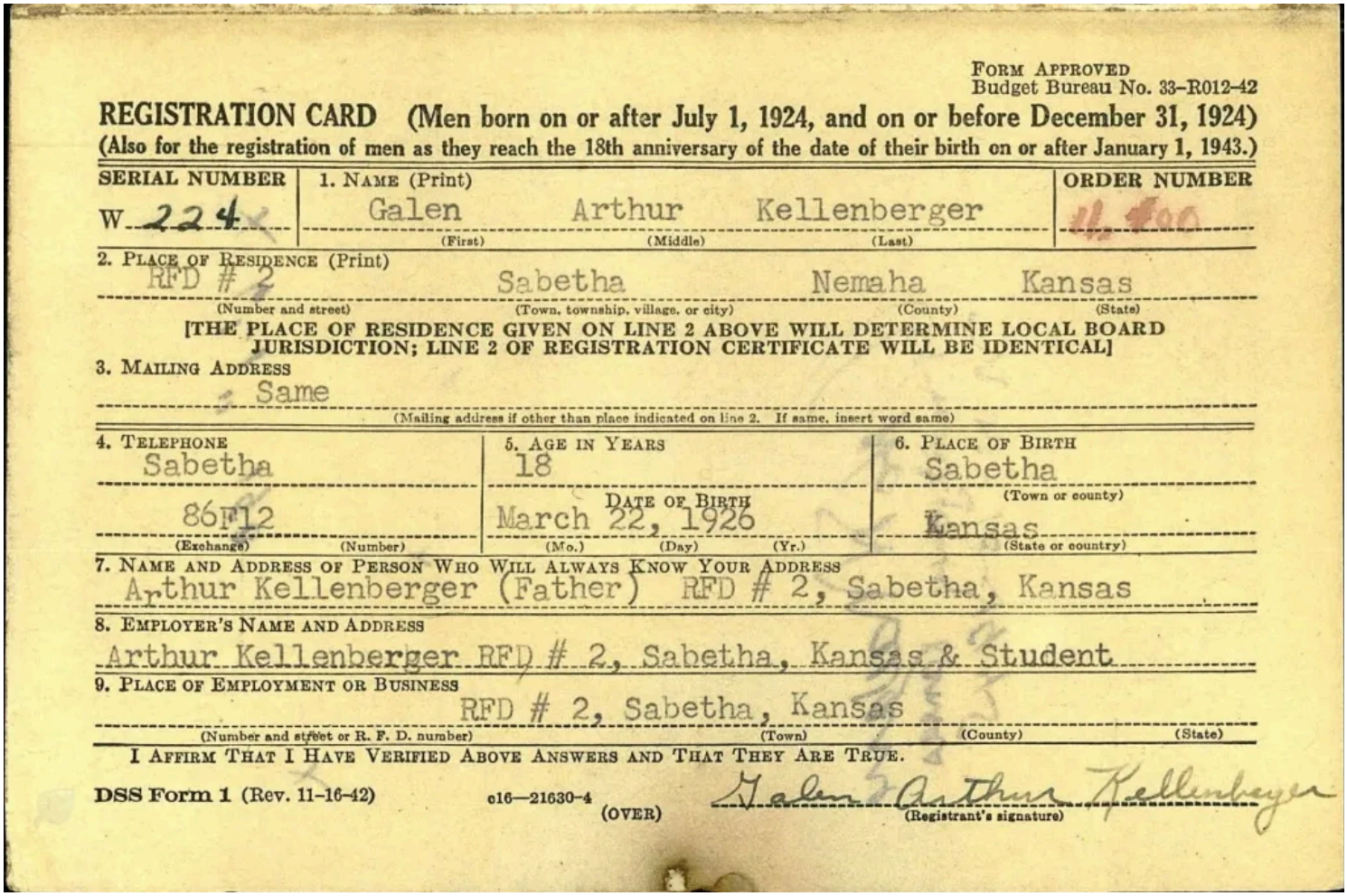

Their halves, your whole
This information comes from your results —not from testing your parents
You inherited half of their DNA. An AncestryDNA® test can provide their full results.

Purple Hearts

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 19, 2024
Nemaha County,Purple Heart

Galen Kellenberger

Galen Kellenberger registered for the draft in 1944.



FORM APPROVED
Budget Bureau No. 33-R012-42

REGISTRATION CARD (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)
(Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)	ORDER NUMBER
W 224	Galen (First) Arthur (Middle) Kellenberger (Last)	11 400

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print): RFD # 2 (Number and street) Sabetha (Town, township, village, or city) Nemaha (County) Kansas (State)

[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON LINE 2 ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]

3. MAILING ADDRESS: Same
(Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same, insert word same)

4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS	6. PLACE OF BIRTH
Sabetha	18	Sabetha (Town or county)
86F12 (Exchange) (Number)	DATE OF BIRTH: March (Mo.) 22 (Day) 1926 (Yr.)	Kansas (State or country)

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS: Arthur Kellenberger (Father) RFD # 2, Sabetha, Kansas

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Arthur Kellenberger RFD # 2, Sabetha, Kansas & Student

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS: RFD # 2, Sabetha, Kansas
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-16-42) 16—21630-4 (OVER)

Galen Arthur Kellenberger
(Registrant's signature)

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13 Sep 1944
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From Pvt. Galen Kellenberger
Pvt. Galen Kellenberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kellenberger, writes from Fort Bliss, Tex., where he is stationed with an anti-aircraft artillery outfit.
I received the Herald today and it was really interesting. I appreciated reaidng the home town news and all the letters form service men.
It's been plenty hot down here until the last few days when it cooled off a little. Since I've been here we've had only one decent rain and a few sprinkles.
I'm in a school battery. We got eight weeks basic, seven weeks schooling and thentwo weeks in the desert. We have jut one more week of basic left. I'll be glad to get in school because they really work us hard and long.
The food is good, especially the Sunday dinner. We had chicken, potatoes, dressing and ice dream among other things this noon.
We have very good cardemen in this battery. All of them have been in foreign service at least two years. They work us half the night about two times a week.
I've been going to El Paso about every week end. Sunday Deryl Geer (son of Mrs. Murrell Geer who is also stationed ad Fort

Bliss) and I were together all afternoon. He lives about three miles form me. I'm gong over to see him in about an hour. Those football games are really going to be of gib interest to me. I'd like to see the m but guess I'll have to be satisfied just reading about them. I hope to be home on furlough to see a couple of them thought.

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Galen Kellenberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kellenberger, has been home on furlough for the past week. He has been stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, where he received his basic training. Since his return he has been transferred to Camp Maxey, Texas.

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23 May 1945
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Men in the Service
Galen Kellenberger Dies

Last week The Herald reported that Mr. and Mrs. Art Kellenberger had received official notice their son, Pfc. Galen A. Kellenberger, had been seriously wounded in action in Germany. Thursday morning they received a War Department telegram that he had died two days later. He was the first of Sabetha's young service men to give his life to help cure the ills of the world. Glen was 19 years old March 22. He was with an infantry mortar platoon, with which he was a runner and radio man. He was wounded April 21, a little more than two weeks before the unconditional surrender of Germany. He died two days later, on April 23.
Galen Kellenberger was born March 22, 1936, on a farm near Sabetha. He was graduated from Sabetha High School just a year ago, with the class of 1944. In high school he was an outstanding agriculture student, a member of the Future Farmers of America. He sang in the a capella choir, was a member of the Hi-Y and the S-club, winning his letter in football. He received the State Farmer award, a meritorious achievement.
Immediately after completing his high school work he entered the army, going first to Fort Bliss, Tex. He received further training at Camp Maxey, Tex., and went overseas with his infantry outfit. In February, 1945, having been in combat only a brief time.
He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Kellenberger, one sister, Verda, and five brothers, Gene, who was graduated form Sabetha High School this spring, Leo, Lynn, Dennis and Jerry, all of the home. His grandparents re Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steiner of Sabetha and S. G. Kellenberger of Leroy, Las.
Galen was a quiet lad, universally liked by his schoolmates and friends. His outlook on life was sound, his ambition and industry were those of a young man with good background and a purposeful future. His loss is one of those things that leaves a deeper responsibility to be borne by those he leaves behind. His place must be filled, his going must be justified.

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Car and Truck Collide
A car driven by Ed Steiner was struck by a gasoline transport truck at the A. O. Kellenberger home three and a half miles north of Sabetha on Highway 75 Thursday morning. Mr. Steiner was turning into the Kellenberger farm when the accident occurred. Behind him was the transport truck which in turn was followed by the Reinhart ambulance.
The truck struck the right side of the Steiner car, then straddled a fence along the road and finally truck a telephone pole and came to a stop. The pole was broken off and transmission wires that it carried were shorted, causing sparks above the truck that caused considerable uneasiness as the transport contained 14 tons of gasoline. The current was soon turned off. The truck was not badly damaged but the Steiner car suffered a ruined fender and tire and a bent door. No one was injured.
Mr. Steiner was going to the Kellenberger home to learn details of the death of his grandson, Pfc. Galen Kellenberger who succumbed to wounds received in Germany, word of which was just arrived.
The Reinhart ambulance also going to the Kellenberger home to bring A. O. Kellenberger to the hospital where he remained several days for a rest.

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Men in the Service

Writes of Galen Kellenberger

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Kellenberger have received the following letter fro Lt. Col. Peter O. Ward, commander of the 47th Infantry with which their son, Galen, was serving when he was killed.
I am writing to you to express my very deepest sympathy on the death of your son, Private Galen A. Kellenberger, who died on the 23rd day of April, 1945, in Germany.
Galen was buried at the side of his comrades-in-arms in a United States Military cemetery located in Germany. A protestant Chaplain of the United States Army officiated at his burial service which was conducted with full military honors.
Your son was severely wounded when he was struck by fragments of an enemy artillery shell while he was performing his duties on the 21st day of April, 1945, in the vicinity of Vetteschloss, Germany. He was given immediate first aid and was safely evacuated to a hospital where he died a few days later despite the finest medical and surgical attention available.
Galen joined this regiment in early March of this year and was assigned to a rifle platoon of Comapny “L” for duty. He displayed high valor during our drive into deeper Germany despite the many physical hardships and frequent danger of his duties. He was a good soldier who successfully accomplished all duties assigned to him in the highest traditions of the military services of our country.
The officers and men of this regiment join me in extending to you our sincere, heartfelt sympathy. Your son’s death is felt most keenly by all those who knew and served with him. His memory remains a high inspiration to us who carry on the task for which he so gallantly gave his life.
(The letter is dated May 7, 1945 and has an army postmark of May 22, 1945.)

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4 Jul 1945
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Men in the Service

Memorial Service
Memorial services for Galen Kellenberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kellenberger, were held Sunday afternoon, July 1, at the Apostolic Christian church on Virginia street. The service was conducted by Rev. Noah Schrock of Oakville, Ia., assisted by Rev. Clarence Yackley of Wichita. The songs used in the service were “Shall We Meet Beyond the River” and “We’ll Never Say Goodbye in Heaven.”
Honorary pallbearers were friends of a lifetime, Vernon and Melvin Wenger, Willard Barh, Arthur Strahm, Louis and Freeman Meyer.
Galen Kellenberger was born March 22, 1936 on a farm near Sabetha. He graduated from Sabetha High School in May, 1944. He was an outstanding student in vocational agriculture class, was a member of the Future Farmers of America. He sang in the a capella choir, was an active member of the Hi-Y and S club. He won a letter in football.
He entered army service immediately following his graduation. His first training was at Ft. Bliss, Tex., and further training ws received at Camp Mazey, Tex. He went overseas with his infantry unit in February of this year.
In May his parents received word that he had been seriously wounded while serving as a runner and radio man. A week later they received word that he had died two days after he was injured on April 23.
On July 2, his parents received the purple heart awarded to their son.
The parents, one sister, Verda, five brother, Gene, Leo, Lynn, Dennis, and Jerry, all of the home survive. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steiner of Sabetha and S. G. Kellenberger of LeRoy, Kas., ar the grand parents.
Relatives form out of town here for the memorial service were MR. and Mrs. Dan Steiner and children, Mrs. John Greiner, Mrs. Charles Pfledere of Tremont, Ill,; Misses Louis and Esther Steiner of Elgin, Ill, Mr and Mrs. Emil Fritz and children and Miss Lorine Heiniger of Morton, Ill.

Galen Kellenberger was buried in the Netherlands.

INDEX RECORD FOR

Galen A Kellenberger

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Full Name	Galen A Kellenberger
State Of Residence	Kansas
Death	23-Apr-45
Death Date	23 Apr 1945
Buried	Buried at: Plot F Row 14 Grave 27 Netherlands American Cemetery Margraten, Netherlands
Memorial Location	Plot F Row 14 Grave 27
Memorial Cemetery	Netherlands American Cemetery
Memorial Country	Margraten, Netherlands
Rank	Private, U.S. Army
Service Number	37747050
Regiment	47th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division
Conflict Period	World War II
Awards	Purple Heart
Served For	United States of America
Views	1

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PVT Galen A Kellenberger

BIRTH 22 Mar 1926
Sabetha, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

DEATH 23 Apr 1945 (aged 19)

BURIAL Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial
Margraten, Eijsden-Margraten Municipality, Limburg, Netherlands *Add to Map*

PLOT Block F Row 14 Grave 27

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U.S. Army Service No. (ASN): #37747050
Entered the Service from: Kansas
47th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division
Awards: Purple Heart

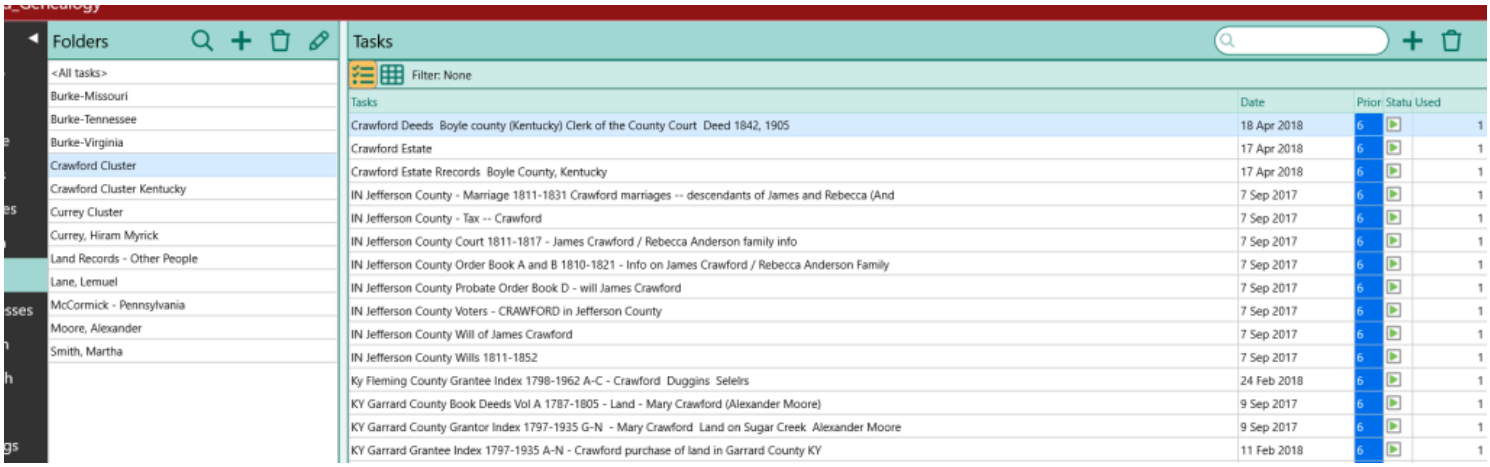
Galen A. Kellenberger is listed as Died Of Wounds in the 1946 Army and Army Air Forces Personnel Casualty List for Nemaha County, Kansas.

Research Logs and Scrivener

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 20, 2024
Barr,Ralston,Scrivener

Do you keep a research log? If so, is it one big log or separate logs based on surname or location? Do you record all of the search terms you've used when searching a database, newspaper site or even google? I have to admit that I don't.

Keeping a research log is one of the 'skills' that was drilled into me from my earliest days of doing research. I still have my original log that was kept in a spiral notebook. While researching at the Family History Library, I was encouraged to write down every roll of microfilm or book that I looked at. The library even provided forms for me to use. At times, I've even used the TASKS feature of RootsMagic 9 to log my research.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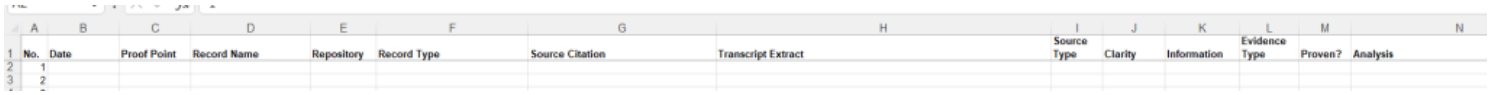
When I started going back thru my genealogy research as part of Thomas MacEntee's Genealogy Do-Over, I was introduced to his research log using an Excel spreadsheet.



While I'm sure this log works, I felt it would become too cumbersome in my research. A search for alternatives provides several good resources about creating research logs.

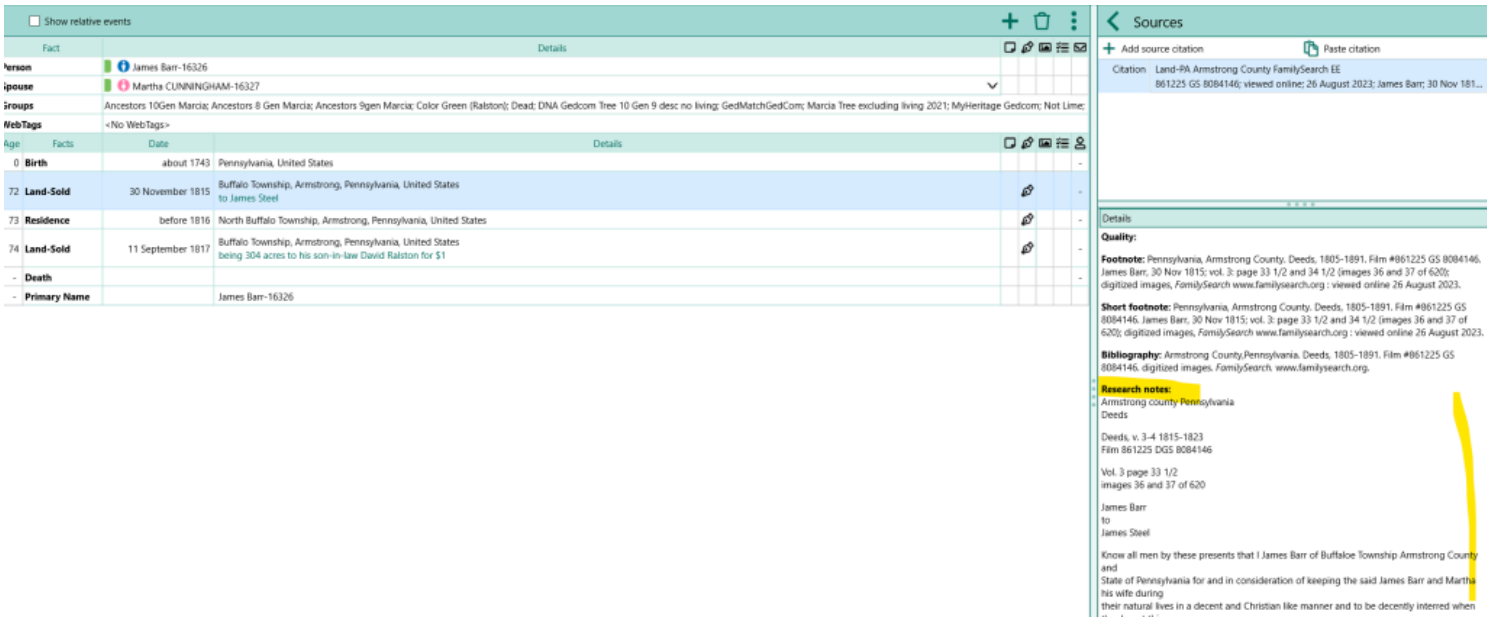
- Research Logs – FamilySearch
- Why You Need a Genealogy Research Log – Family Tree
- Six Details to Keep in Your Research Log – Family Tree
- Essential Methods: Research Logs – New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
- My (very informal) Research Log – Organize Your Family History

https://youtube.com/watch?v=Duq3zHwYcLQ

Even though I've read and viewed a lot of resources about keeping a research log, I still do not keep a formal research log. Then I ran across the Family History Fanatics video stating I don't need a research log.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=IAGlw-2R0bc

That video intrigued me. And it made me realize that I do have a form of a "research log". First, if I feel that a record contains information for someone in my tree, I add the appropriate fact and then attach a citation for that record. In the process of creating the citation, I use the Research Note field to add information from the source and/or a transcription.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James Barr
to
James Steel
Know all men by these presents that I James Barr of Buffaloe Township Armstrong County and
State of Pennsylvania for and in consideration of keeping the said James Barr and Martha his wife during
their natural lives in a decent and Christian like manner and to be decently interred when

While I'm actively researching, I use Scrivener to take notes. While these notes vary based on what I'm looking at, they often are 'transcriptions' of the information. For example, I use Scrivener to record the information from an index to deeds.

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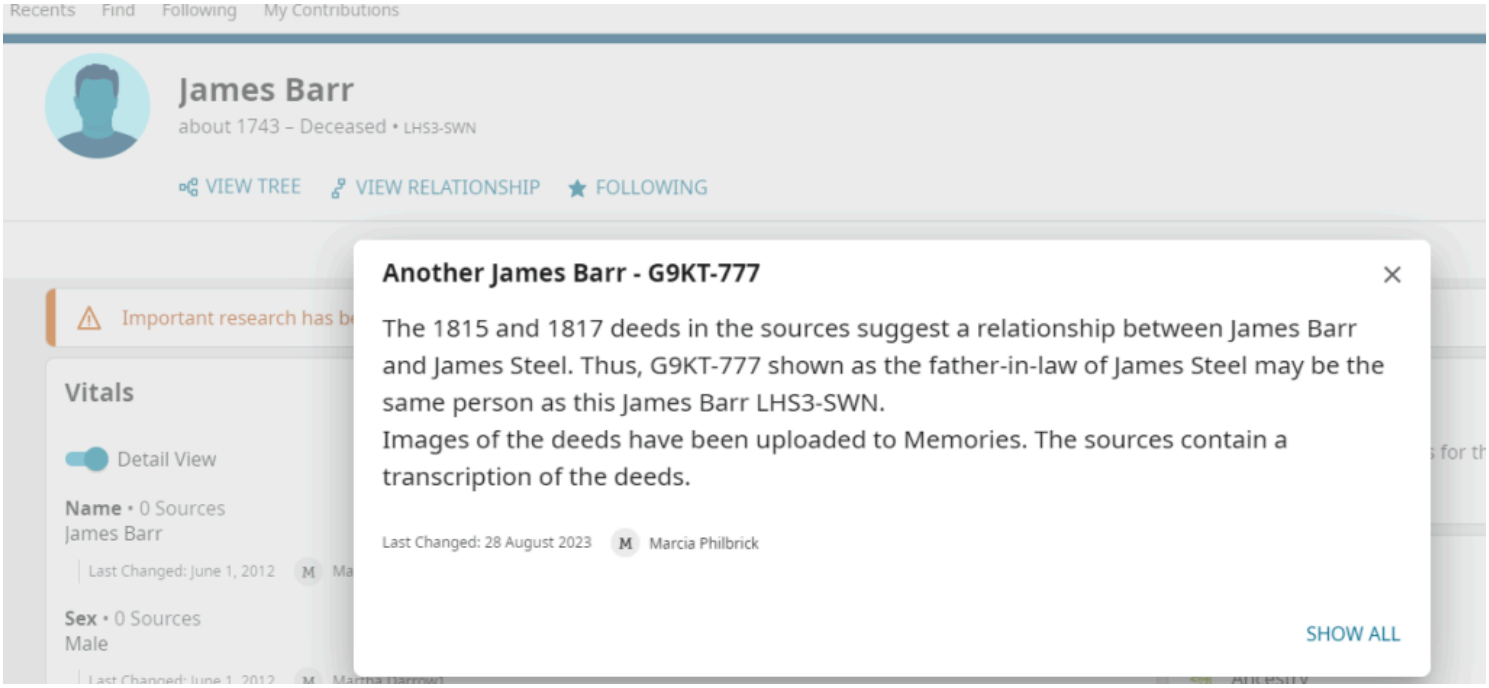
McCormick James ux Geo Keener Buff Tp Oct 11 1833 book 8 page 192
McCormick James ux James Bole Jr Freept Feb 2 1842 book 13 page 19

This allows me to research all the people of a particular surname in a specific place and time without having to know how they fit in my tree. As I discover enough about them to figure out where they fit in my tree, I can then add the facts and citations using what I've recorded in Scrivener.

Thus, when I received an email inquiry about a note I left on James Barr's profile on FamilySearch last summer, I can go back to my Scrivener file and look at my research notes.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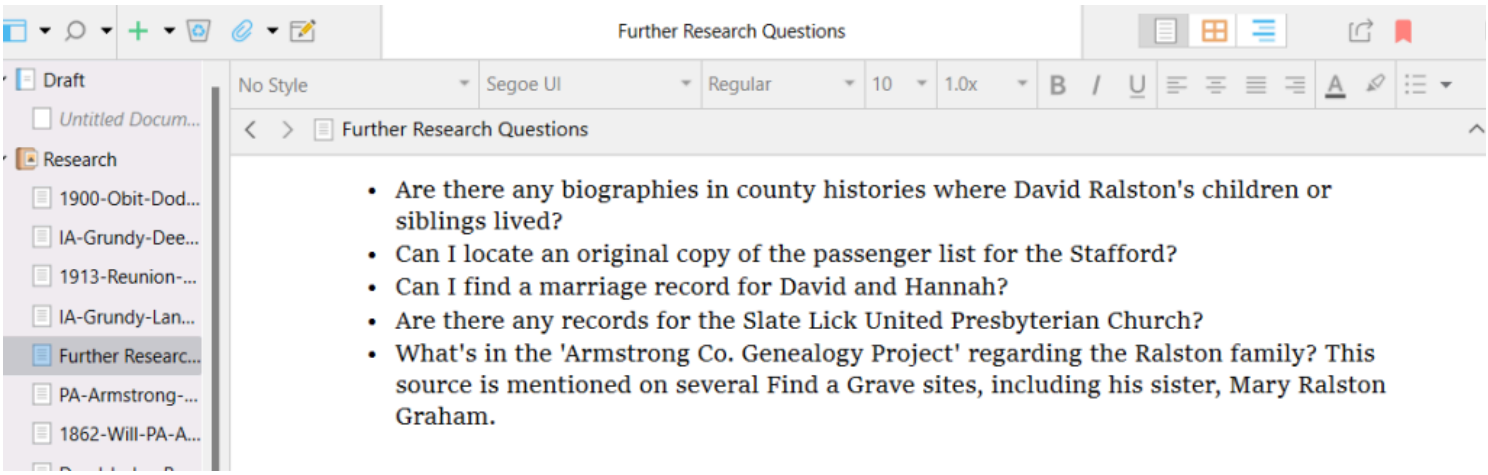
Currently, what little research I've done on James Barr has been in relation to his son-in-law, David Ralston. Thus, it is currently included in my RALSTON Scrivener folder. At some point, I will likely create a BARR Scrivener folder and copy the BARR deeds into that folder. Besides being able to record transcriptions, I can also create notes to guide future research.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Are there any biographies in county histories where David Ralston's children or siblings lived?
Can I locate an original copy of the passenger list for the Stafford?
Can I find a marriage record for David and Hannah?
Are there any records for the Slate Lick United Presbyterian Church?
What's in the 'Armstrong Co. Genealogy Project' regarding the Ralston family? This source is mentioned on several Find a Grave sites, including his sister, Mary Ralston Graham.

While I'm not keeping a 'formal' research log, my use of Scrivener allows me to track my research of a family, surname or locality and return to it at a later date. In addition, Scrivener has allowed me to track my various FAN Clubs and people of the same name.

I have found a method of tracking my research that works for me. What about you? Do you have a method of tracking your research?

Eloped

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 21, 2024
Harding,Nebraska

Have you come across an elopement in your genealogy research? If so, did the parents contest the marriage? While researching a potential DNA ThruLIne, I came across such a situation with a son of Ida B. Harding and her husband, James Vinsonhaler.

At the age of 20, James Harold Vinsonhaler and Vera A. Vogele left their homes near Rulo, Nebraska and traveled south to Hiawatha Kansas where they were married by a Probate Judge.

> **Probate Court**
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> *"Probate Court," Hiawatha Daily World (Hiawatha, Kansas), 24 April 1924, page 1; digital image, Advantage-Preservation (https://morrill.advantage-preservation.com/ : viewed online 14 February 2024).*

Unfortunately, Vera's parents did not give permission for her to get married and claimed she was sixteen years old instead of being eighteen as she told the judge.

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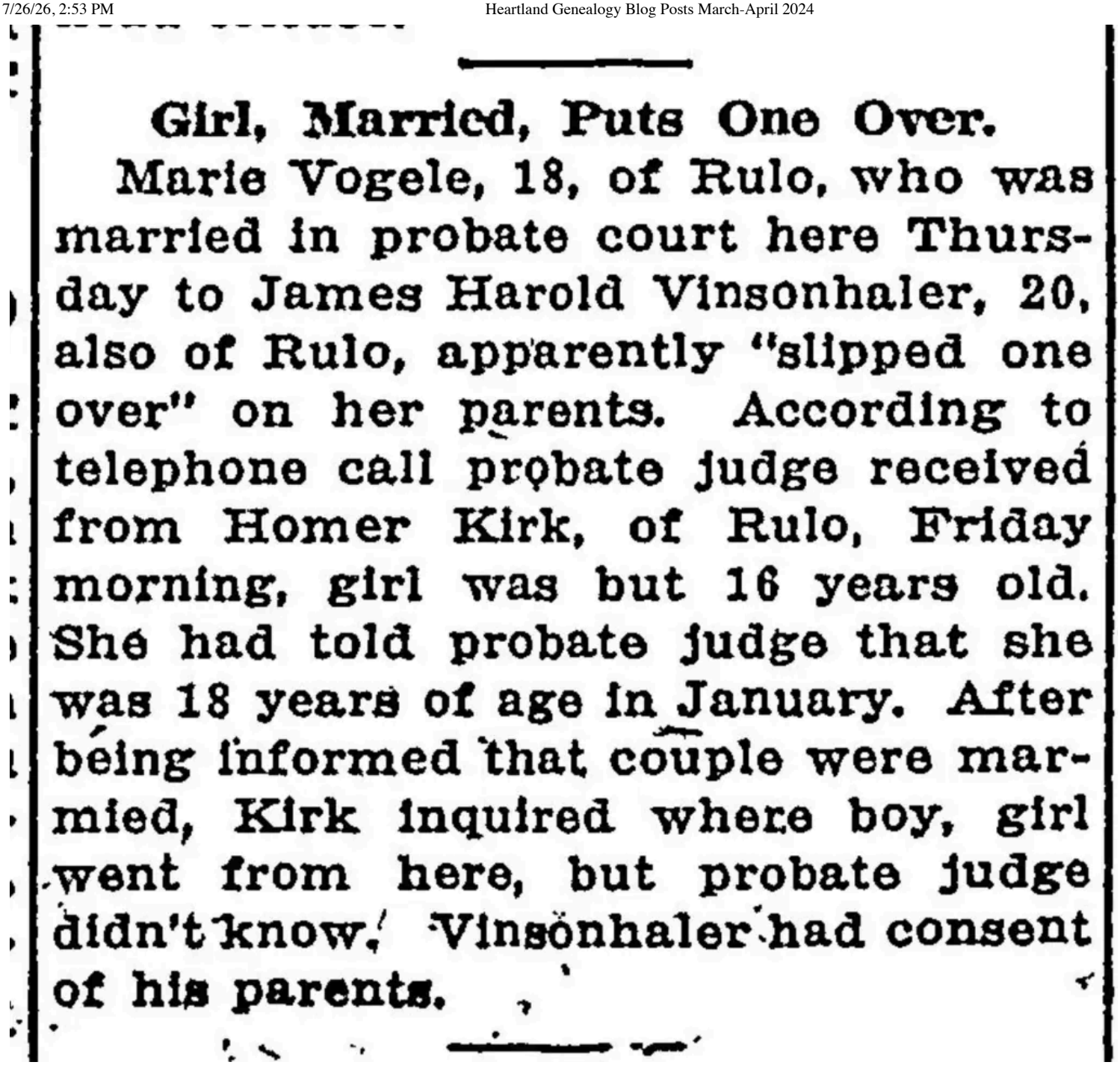

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"Are Too Late to Halt Elopement," The Falls City Journal (Falls City, Nebraska), 25 April 1924, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 14 February 2024).

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Based on the newspaper reports, James Vinsonholer did not want his marriage dissolved. Instead, he went to court challenging the sheriff and Vera's parents.

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While the outcome of the Habeas Corpus suit have not been located, the young family is found on the 1940 census living in Richardson County, Nebraska.

- James – 37 years old head of household
- Vera – wife aged 31
- Gertrude – daughter aged 15
- Harvey Dale – son aged 13
- Ardyce – daughter aged 5
- Denny – son aged 3
- Loyd – son aged 1

In 1950, the family is found in Contra Costa county, California.

- James – 47 year old head of household
- Vera – wife aged 42
- Ardyce M – daughter aged 15
- Denny L – son aged 13
- Loyd R – son aged 11
- Myrna K – daughter aged 8

Nine years later, Vera passes away. Her obituary identifies her as 'beloved wife of James Vinsonhaler'.

> Vinsonhaler, Vera A., in Berkeley, December 25, 1959, of 610 Glenside Drive, Lafayette, beloved wife of James Vinsonhaler of Lafayette; three daughters, Mrs. Jean Jones of Lafayette, Mrs Ardyce Daughtery of Colma, and Myrna Vinsonhaler of Lafayette; 3 sons, Harvey Vinsonhaler of Chino, Denny Vinsonhaler of Pleasant Hill, Loyd Vinsonhaler of Lafayette. A native of Nebraska, aged 51 years.
> Friends are invited to attend the funeral services Tuesday, December 29, at 2 p.m. at the Chapel in the Valley. Lafayette Mortuary, 985 S. Thompson Rod, Lafayette. The Rev. William Mays of the Lafayette covenant church officiating. Interment Lafayette Cemetery.
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> *"Vinsonhaler, Vera A.," Oakland Tribune (Oakland, California), 27 December 1959, page 11; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 14 February 2024).*

Four years later, James would also pass away.

> Vinsonhaler, James H., at his home 610 Glenside Drive, Lafayette, November 25, 1963, beloved father of Mrs. Jean Soares of Lafayette, Mrs. Ardyce Daugherty of Clayton, and Mrs. Myrna Felix of Walnut Creek, Harvey Vinsonhaler of Los Angeles, Denny Vinsonhaler of Walnut Creek and Loyd Vinsonhaler of Moraga; also survived by a brother and two sisters, 15 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. A native of Nebraska; aged 60 years.
> Friends are invited to attend funeral services Friday, November 29, at 10 a.m. at the Chapel in the Vally, Lafayette Mortuary, 985 South Thompson Road, Lafayette. Burial Lafayette Cemetery.
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> *"Vinsonhaler, James H," obituary, Oakland Tribune (Oakland, California), 26 November 1963, page 29; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 23 October 2020).*

Even though documentation concerning the outcome of the court case has not been found, the census records and obituaries indicate that the young couple stayed married.

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 22, 2024
Barr,Pennsylvania

Today's Friday Find does not come from my paper files. Instead it comes from an Experimental Search. I was searching for records of Elizabeth Barr, wife of James Steele. When I narrowed the search to Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, I found a deed between Isaac C. Steele and Mariah his wife and Elizabeth Steele, widow of James Steele deceased of the first part and Robert Liddell of the second part.

Unfortunately, I don't know that the Elizabeth Steele in the deed is Elizabeth Barr Steele. Thus, I'm hoping that by sharing the deed, some STEELE researcher will be able to figure out who the parties are and then attach this deed to the FamilySearch tree.

FamilySearch – Labs Experimental Search

Armstrong Deeds 1872-1873
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This Indenture made the Twenty Seventh day of February in the year of our Lord , One Thousand Eight Hundred and Isa Seventy Two
Between Isaac . C. Steele and his wife Mariah and Elizabeth Steele widow
of James Steele decd all of Perry Township Armstrong County Pennsylvania
parties of the first part and Robert Liddell of the City of Pittsburgh County of
Allegheny and aforesaid party
second part Witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of
Six Thousand Six hundred Dollars $ 6600 , lawful money of the United States of America ,
unto them well and truly paid by the said part of the second part, at or before the sealing and delivery
of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed ,
released , conveyed and confirmed , and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release convey
and confirm unto the said party of the second part his – heirs and assigns , forever all the
following described property viz : Situate in the Township of Perry County of Armstrong
and State of Pennsylvania Bounded and described as follows to wit : Beginning
at a post thence b land of Thomas Evans due East one hundred and ninety
and four tenth perches to a post, thence by land of Isaac B Binkard south
Two and one half degrees west seventy six and Eight-tenth perches to a post
thence by Jacob Steele north Seventy Seven and three fourth degrees west one
hundred and ninety Two and Seven tenth perches to a post and thence by Land
of George Shakely North two degrees East thirty six perches to the Beginning
containing Sixty Six acres and one hundred and forty six perches strict measure
which by sundry Releases and quit – claim deeds heirs of all the other heirs of
James Steele Late of Perry Township deceased – as well as by a decree of
the orphans Court Armstrong County became vested in the said
Isaac . C. Steele one of the present Grantors, and Elizabeth Steele one
of the present Grantors Releases all Dower or Dowers and [Recognizen as]
That now is or may be on Record in the orphans Court in her favor whatsoever
and there having been a patent Granted to the said Isaac . C. Steele
and Jacob Steele jointly by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in pursu
ance of a warrant dated fifth day of August AD 1871 and patent issued
to the said Jacob Steele and Isaac . C. State jointly, dated the 9th day of
September AD 1811 Enrolled in Patent Book S & Vol 68 Page 682 – and the said
Jacob Stale Released and conveyed the within described sixty six acres and
one hundred and Forty six perches to the Isaac C Steele one of the present
Grantors by Deed dated the 23d day of February AD 1872 duly signed sealed
and acknowledged

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Together with all and singular the Buildings Improvements, Ways, Waters, Water-

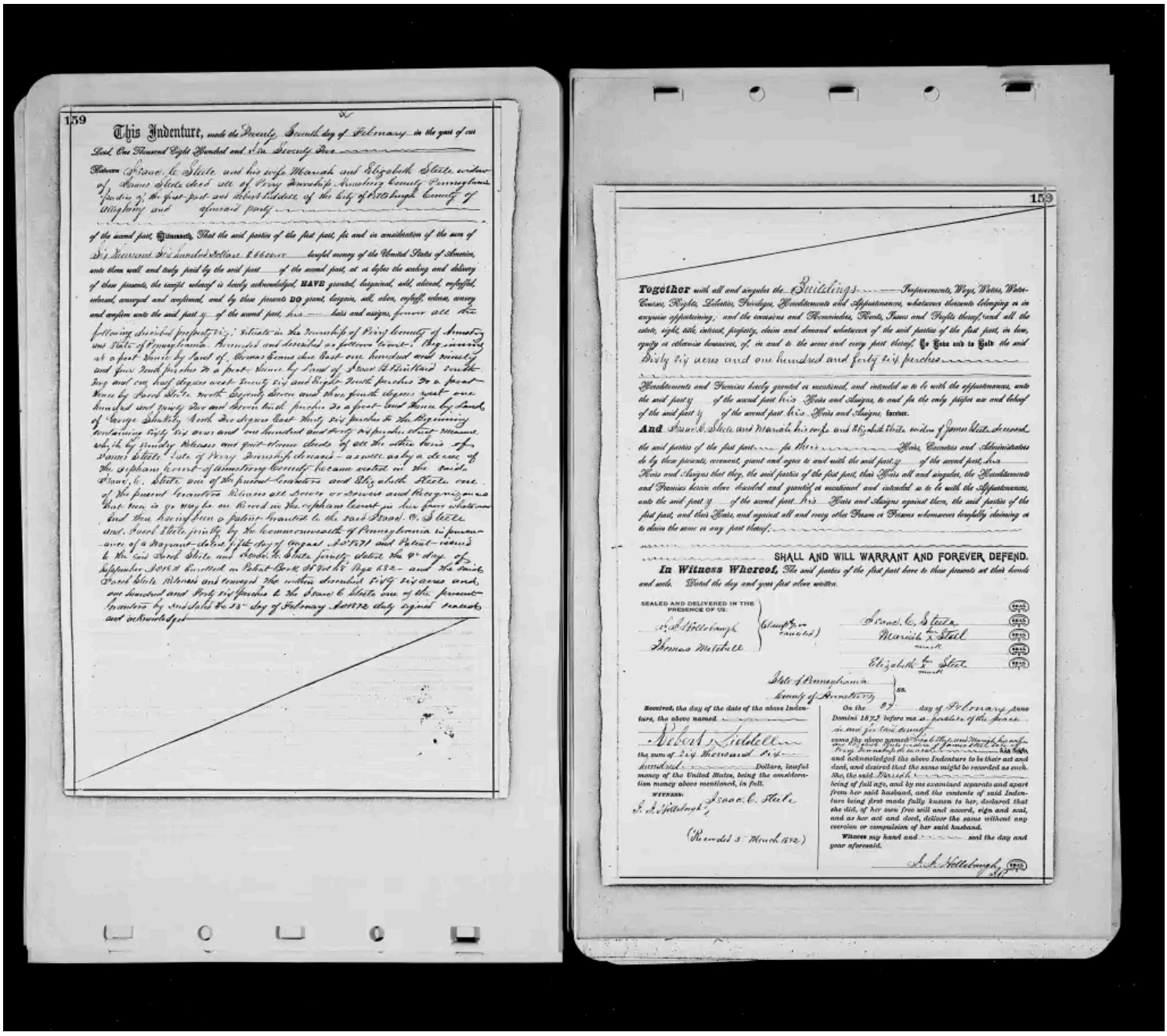
Courses, Rights, Liberties, Privileges, Hereditaments and Appurtenances , whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; and the revisions and Remainders, Rents, Issues and Profits thereof and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of the said parties of the first part in law, equity or otherwise however, of, in and to the same and every part, thereof, to have and to hold the said Sixty six acres and one hundred and forty six perches
Hereditaments and Premises hereby granted or mentioned, and intended so to be with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part his Heirs and Assigns, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, forever,
And Isaac . C. Steele and Mariah his wife and Elizabeth Steele widow of James Steele deceased the said parties of the first part for their heirs , Executors and Administrators do by these presents , covenant , grant and agree to and with the said party of the second part his Heirs and Assigns that they , the said parties of the first part their Heirs all and singular , the Hereditaments and Premises herein above described and granted or mentioned and intended so to be with the Appurtenances unto the said party of the second part his Heirs and Assigns against them , the said parties of the first part, and their Heirs , and against all and every other Person or Persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same of any part thereof :
SHALL AND WILL WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND .
In Witness Whereof , The said parties of the first part have to these presents set their hands and seals. Dated the day and year first above written
Isaac . C. Steele (seal)
Mariah her mark Steel (seal)
Elizabeth her mark Steel (seal)

Sealed and Delivered in the
Presence of Us
J. J. Hollobaugh
Thomas Mitchell

State of Pennsylvania
County of Armstrong

Received, the day of the date of the above Inden
ture, the above named
Robert Liddellun
the sum of six thousand six
hundred dollars, lawful
money of the United States, being the considera-
tion money above mentioned, in full.
Witness:
J. J. Jollobough
Isaac C. Steele

On the 27 day of February Anno
Domini 1872 before me a Justice of the Peace
in and for said county
came the above named Isaac C Steele and Mariah his wife
and Elizabeth Steele widow of James Steele late of
Perry Township deceased
and acknowledged the above Indenture to be their act and
deed, and desired that the same might be recorded as such.
She, the said Mariah
being of full age, and by me examined separate and apart
from her said husband, and the contents of said Inden-
ture being first made fully known to her declared that
she did , of her own free will and accord , sign and seal .
and as her act and deed , deliver the same without any
coercion or compulsion of her said husband .
Witness my hand and _ seal the day and
year aforesaid
J J Hollobough (seal)
J.P.



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This Indenture, made the Twenty Second day of February in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Five Seventy Two

Between Isaac C. Steele and his wife Mariah and Elizabeth Steele widow of James Steele dec'd all of Perry Township Armstrong County Pennsylvania parties of the first part and Robert Gillelen of the City of Pittsburgh County of Allegheny and aforesaid party

of the second part, Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Three and Six Tenths Dollars lawful money of the United States of America, unto them well and truly paid by the said part of the second part, at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, HAVE granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents DO grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release, convey and confirm unto the said part y of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever All the following described property Viz: Situate in the Township of Perry County of Armstrong and State of Pennsylvania Bounded and described as follows Viz: Beginning at a post Corner by land of Thomas Emmons dec'd East one hundred and ninety and five tenth perches to a post Corner by Land of Isaac C. Steele and Mariah Steele South Seventy and one half degrees West twenty six and Eight tenth perches to a post Corner by Lands Steele North Seventy Seven and three fourth degrees West one hundred and ninety five and seven tenth perches to a post and Stone by Land of George Shockley North Ten degrees East Sixty six perches to the Beginning containing Sixty six acres and one hundred and Forty six perches strict measure, which by Deeds Releases and quit Claim deeds of all the other heirs of James Steele late of Perry Township dec'd as well as by a decree of the Orphans Court of Armstrong County became vested in the said Isaac C. Steele one of the present Grantors and Elizabeth Steele one of the present Grantors Releases all Errors or Errors and Recognizance that now is or may be on Record in the Orphans Court for said County and Whereas having been a patent granted to the said Isaac C. Steele and Jacob Steele jointly by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in pursuance of a Warrant dated fifth day of August A.D 1871 and Patent issued to the said Jacob Steele and Isaac C. Steele jointly dated the 9th day of September A.D 1872 Enrolled in Patent Book A Vol 18 Page 632 - and the said Jacob Steele Releases and conveys the within described Sixty six acres and one hundred and Forty six perches to the said Isaac C. Steele one of the present Grantors by said Deed dated the 28th day of February A.D 1872 duly signed sealed and acknowledged

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Together with all and singular the Buildings Improvements, Ways, Waters, Water-Courses, Rights, Liberties, Privileges, Hereditaments and Appurtenances, whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; and the reversions and Remainders, Rents, Issues and Profits thereof; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of the said parties of the first part, in law, equity or otherwise howsoever, of, in and to the same and every part thereof. To Have and to Hold the said Sixty six acres and one hundred and forty six perches

Hereditaments and Premises hereby granted or mentioned, and intended so to be with the appurtenances, unto the said part y of the second part his Heirs and Assigns, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said part y of the second part his Heirs and Assigns, forever.

And Isaac C. Steele and Mariah his wife and Elizabeth Steele widow of James Steele dec'd the said parties of the first part do for their Heirs, Executors and Administrators do by these presents, covenant, grant and agree to and with the said part y of the second part, his Heirs and Assigns that they, the said parties of the first part, their Heirs all and singular, the Hereditaments and Premises herein above described and granted or mentioned and intended so to be with the Appurtenances, unto the said part y of the second part his Heirs and Assigns against them, the said parties of the first part, and their Heirs, and against all and every other Person or Persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

SHALL AND WILL WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND.

In Witness Whereof, The said parties of the first part have to these presents set their hands and seals. Dated the day and year first above written.

SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF US:

S. K. Hillebaugh (Stamp & Seal Cancelled)
Thomas Metcalf

Isaac C. Steele (SEAL)
Mariah her X mark Steel (SEAL)
Elizabeth her X mark Steele (SEAL)

State of Pennsylvania } ss.
County of Armstrong }

Received, the day of the date of the above Indenture, the above named

Robert Gillelen

the sum of Six Hundred Fifty three and 6/10 Dollars, lawful money of the United States, being the consideration money above mentioned, in full.

WITNESS:
S. K. Hillebaugh
Isaac C. Steele

(Recorded 8 March 1872)

On the 27 day of February Anno Domini 1873 before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County

came the above named Isaac C. Steele and Mariah his wife and Elizabeth Steele widow of James Steele dec'd late of Perry Township deceased

and acknowledged the above Indenture to be their act and deed, and desired that the same might be recorded as such. She, the said Elizabeth being of full age, and by me examined separate and apart from her said husband, and the contents of said Indenture being first made fully known to her, declared that she did of her own free will and accord, sign and seal, and as her act and deed, deliver the same without any coercion or compulsion of her said husband.

Witness my hand and and the day and year aforesaid.

S. K. Hillebaugh (SEAL)
J.P.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 23, 2024
Nemaha County,WWII

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1151 Nick Frank Boden Jr
1152 Claude Kendall Talley
1153 Lee Elner Bucher
1154 Charles David Larkin
1155 Ralph Howard Eby
1156 Marvin Emil Hartman
1157 LaVerne Elvie Kramer
1158 Melvin Edward Thieman
1159 Robert McLaughlin
1160 Lester Raymond Hilbert
1161 Edwin Bernard Hermesch
1162 Lawrence Dale Hatz
1163 Durward Daniel Clements
1164 Revere Donald Funk
1165 William Michael Hazlett
1166 Harry William Buser
1167 Richard Kenneth Thompson
1168 George Joseph Holthaus
1169 Clarence Francis Melcher
1170 Jerome Franics Billinger
1171 Walter Joseph Meyer
1172 Virgil Paul Broxterman
1173 Anthony Joseph Kohake
1174 Ralph John Meyer
1175 Melvin Ruffer Haxton
1176 Francis Peter Stallbaumer
1177 Orville Campbell
1178 Floyd Louis savage
1179 Wilbur Joseph Waters
1180 Clyde Samuel Kooser
1181 Marvin Gerald Bryant
1182 Kenneth Arnold Jeanneret
1183 Herbert Henry Dunn
1184 Glen Frederick Nightingale
1185 Cedric Jay Moorhead
1186 Wen Milford Neff
1187 Marin LeRoy Isaac
1188 Roy Lincoln Hiltibrand
1189 Edmund George Becker
1190 Edwin Marcellus Haug
1191 Raymond Paul Fletchall
1192 Wilson James Burns
1193 Albert John Lierz
1194 Garland William Blough
1195 Hubert Powers Sewell
1196 Karl George Strube
1197 Lee Charles Cornell
1198 Francis Nelson Jones

1199 James Porter Sproul
1200 George Radell Jr
1201 Alphonse Henry Haverkamp
1202 Leland Lyle Steele
1203 John William Armstrong
1204 John William Holland
1205 Archie Orin Ward
1206 Laureance Albert Rasmussen
1207 Milton Emel Hoppe
1208 Riley William Davidson
1209 Herman Nelse Edward Kral
1210 Raymond J. Hollabaugh
1211 Elver Henry Swart
1212 Lawrence Robert Miller
1213 Edward Aloysius Kenny
1214 Donald Ray Elliott
1215 Andrew Peter Rokey
1216 Francis Lee Larkin
1217 Adrian Joseph Stallbaumer
1218 Paul John Olberding
1219 James Leroy Ellington
1220 Lester Ralph Weyer
1221 Melvin G. H. Bredemeier
1222 Dale Deyo Ayers
1223 Grant Loraine Beck
1224 Francis Nickolas Werner
1225 Wilford Emmett Johnson
1226 Raymond Streit
1227 Raymond Peter Hammes

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 24, 2024
SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night again –

Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) Where did your ancestors live or reside in the year 1900? List them by generation. Show their birth and death years, and the place they were living.

Grandparents:

- Leon Russel Crawford (1894-1976) – Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas
- Edward Osmond Briles (1891-1956) – Pleasant Township, Coffey County, Kansas
- Pauline Edith Mentzer (1896-1984) – North Township, Woodson County, Kansas

Great Grandparents:

- Judson Foster Crawford (1866-1949) – Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas
- Josie Winifred Hammond Crawford (1874-1954) – Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas
- Hiram MIles Currey (1866-1943) – Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, Kansas
- WInifred May Hutchinson Currey (1871-1913) – Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, Kansas
- Edward Grant Briles (1869-1951)- Pleasant Township, Coffey County, Kansas
- Frances Artlisa Ricketts Briles (1868-1947) – Pleasant Township, Coffey County, Kansas
- Charles Oliver Mentzer (1869-1955) – North Township, Woodson County, Kansas
- Nettie Adell Wells Mentzer (1873-1939) – North Township, Woodson County, Kansas

Great-great grandparents

- Mary Foster Crawford (1842-1929) – Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas
- Richmond Fisk Hammond (1840-1928) – Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas
- Hiram M. Currey (1835-1901) – Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, Kansas
- Angelina Jane Burke Currey (1836-1901) – Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, Kansas
- Sarah Jane Thompson Briles (1843-1930) – Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas
- James Marshall Ricketts (1847-1920) – Liberty Township, Woodson County, Kansas
- Rachel Elmeda Christy RIcketts (1845-1927) – Liberty Township, Woodson County, Kansas
- George Mentzer (1838-1912) – Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas
- Emiline MInnick Mentzer (1848-1927) – Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas

3rd Great Grandparents

- James Barr Ralston (1811-1904) – Felix Township, Grundy County, Iowa
- Nancy Jane McCormick Ralston (1818-1907) – Felix Township, Grundy County, Iowa
- Alexander Briles (1817-1900) – Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas
- Orilda Matilda Reed Ricketts (1828-1900) – Clinton County, Indiana
- Samuel Henry St. George Christy (1819-1904) – Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana
- John Minnick (1822-1903) – Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois

Susie Crawford

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 25, 2024
Arkansas,Crawford,Oklahoma

Have you researched a family that others don't recognize as a relative? As I'm researching the descendants of Alexander Crawford and Margaret McElwee, I'm encountering that situation.

Their grandson, Jonas A. Crawford married at least twice. His first wife was reported to have been Mary Fish. He married his second wife Amanda Wilson in 1878 in Taney County, Missouri. Since Jonas Crawford served for the Union during the civil war, I looked for a pension record for him.

The pension record that was found is for Adeline Crawford, widow of Jones A. Crawford. While an actual marriage license has not been found, there is enough information in this record to tie Adeline Crawford to Jones A. Crawford. If Adeline (Greever) Crawford was the third wife of Jones A. Crawford, then Adeline's daughter, Susie Crawford Sensing, is a descendant of Jones A. Crawford and his grandfather, Alexander Crawford.

Susie Crawford was born in 1881 in Arkansas.[1] She lived in Sugar Loaf Township, Boone, Arkansas, United States in 1900.[2] She married Edgar Marvin Sensing on 6 Mar 1904 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[3–4] She was the mother of Ruby Mae Sensing who was born on 27 Jan 1905 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[5] Susie visited visited an uncle in Carthage, Missouri in Nov 1905.[6] She was the mother of William Adam Sensing who was born on 13 Jan 1908 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[7–11] She lived in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States in 1910.[12] Susie was the mother of Grace Sensing who was born on 5 Oct 1912 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[13–17] She was the mother of Evelyn Blanche Sensing who was born on 28 Sep 1915 in Arkansas.[18] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] Susie lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1930.[20] She died on 28 Sep 1937 at the age of 56 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[1] She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[1]

Susie Crawford and Edgar Marvin Sensing were married on 6 Mar 1904 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[3–4] **Edgar Marvin Sensing** was born in 1881.[21] He married Susie Crawford on 6 Mar 1904 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[3–4] He was the father of Ruby Mae Sensing who was born on 27 Jan 1905 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[5] He was the father of William Adam Sensing who was born on 13 Jan 1908 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[7–11] Edgar was the father of Grace Sensing who was born on 5 Oct 1912 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[13–17] He was the father of Evelyn Blanche Sensing who was born on 28 Sep 1915 in Arkansas.[18] He registered for the military draft in 1918 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[22] Edgar lived in Prairie Township, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] He lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1930.[20] He died on 19 Jun 1935 at the age of 54 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[21,23] Edgar was buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[21] Susie Crawford and Edgar Marvin Sensing had the following children:

11. **Ruby Mae Sensing** was born on 27 Jan 1905 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[5] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] In 1926, she was educated at University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[24] Ruby lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1930.[20] She married James Howard Wellard on 19 Jul 1934 in Cook, Illinois, United States.[25–26] She lived in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States in 1940.[27] She died on 14 Feb 1942 at the age of 37 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States.[5,28–30] Ruby was buried on 17 Feb 1942 at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Worth, , Illinois.[5]

Ruby Mae Sensing and James Howard Wellard were married on 19 Jul 1934 in Cook, Illinois, United States.[25–26] **James Howard Wellard** was born on 12 Jan 1909 in Horsleydown, London, England, United Kingdom.[26] He married Ruby Mae Sensing on 19 Jul 1934 in Cook, Illinois, United States.[25–26] He lived in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States in 1940.[26–27] He registered for the military draft about 1940 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States.[31] James died on 26 Apr 1987 at the age of 78 in London, England. He was buried in England.

12. **William Adam Sensing** was born on 13 Jan 1908 in Holdenville, Hughes, Oklahoma, United States.[7–11] He lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] In 1928, he was educated at University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[32] He married Lollevene Hunysames Davis on 22 Apr 1938 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[8,33–37] William registered for the military draft in 1940 in Winnsboro, Wood, Texas, United States.[9] He lived in Upshur, Texas, United States in 1950.[38] He died on 22 Feb 1979 at the age of 71 in Upshur, Texas, United States.[7–8,33,39] William was buried on 24 Feb 1979 at Glenwood Cemetery in Glenwood, Upshur, Texas, United States.[7–8,33] He lived.[40]

William Adam Sensing and Lollevene Hunysames Davis were married on 22 Apr 1938 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[8,33–37] **Lollevene Hunysames Davis** was born on 3 Jan 1914 in Glenwood, Upshur, Texas.[8] She married William Adam Sensing on 22 Apr 1938 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[8,33–37] She lived in Wood, Texas, United States in 1940.[40] She lived in Upshur, Texas, United States in 1950.[38] Lollevene died on 26 Nov 1981 at the age of 67 in Glenwood, Upshur, Texas.[8] She was buried in Nov 1981 in Glenwood, Upshur, Texas.[8]

13. **Grace Sensing** was born on 5 Oct 1912 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[13–17] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1930.[20] In 1931, Grace was educated at University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[41] She married James Milton Fryar in Jun 1938 in Arkansas.[42–44] She was divorced from James Milton Fryar on 19 Aug 1942 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[45] She married Robert L Travis on 28 Jul 1944 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[46–47] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1950.[48] She lived in Brinkley, Monroe, Arkansas, United States in 1979.[33] Grace died on 13 Dec 1994 at the age of 82 in Stuttgart, Arkansas, Arkansas, United States.[14–17] She was buried on 15 Dec 1994 at Glenwood Cemetery in Glenwood, Upshur, Texas, United States.[14–15] She lived.[49]

Grace Sensing and James Milton Fryar were married in Jun 1938 in Arkansas.[42–44] They were divorced on 19 Aug 1942 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[45] **James Milton Fryar** was born on 28 Jan 1910. He married Grace Sensing in Jun 1938 in Arkansas.[42–44] He was divorced from Grace Sensing on 19 Aug 1942 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[45] He died on 13 Feb 1984 at the age of 74 in Arkansas. He was buried in Beebe Cemetery, Union Township, White, Arkansas, United States.

Grace Sensing and Robert L Travis were married on 28 Jul 1944 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[46–47] **Robert L Travis** was born on 19 Jul 1917 in Luzerne, Pennsylvania, United States. He married Grace Sensing on 28 Jul 1944 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States.[46–47] He lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1950.[48] He was buried in 1996 in Glenwood Cemetery, Glenwood, Upshur, Texas, United States. Robert died on 19 Jan 1996 at the age of 78 in Upshur, Texas, United States.

14. **Evelyn Blanche Sensing** was born on 28 Sep 1915 in Arkansas.[18] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1920.[19] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1930.[20] She was divorced from Charles B Wilson on 3 Jun 1938 in Sebastian, Arkansas, United States.[50] Evelyn lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1939.[51] She lived in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, United States in 1940.[52] She served in the Womens Army Corps in 1943 in Washington, Arkansas, United States.[53] Evelyn died on 7 May 2007 at the age of 91 in Conifer, Jefferson, Colorado, United States. She was buried in 2007 in Wichita Falls, Wichita, Texas, United States of America.

Evelyn Blanche Sensing and Charles B Wilson were married on 8 Jan 1937 in Arkansas.[54–56] They were divorced on 3 Jun 1938 in Sebastian, Arkansas, United States.[50] **Charles B Wilson** was born in 1912. He married Evelyn Blanche Sensing on 8 Jan 1937 in Arkansas.[54–56] He was divorced from Evelyn Blanche Sensing on 3 Jun 1938 in Sebastian, Arkansas, United States.[50] He died.

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Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 26, 2024
Purple Heart

Lt. Leroy Floyd Armstrong

Courier Tribune
1 Jul 1940
page 2

Leroy Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong, Seneca, preparing to e a navy flier. Has had his first training at Fairfax airport, Kansas City. Soon to be called to the naval air base at Pensacola, Florida to report.

Courier Tribune
8 Jul 1940
page 3

Local News

LeRoy Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong, Seneca, goes to Kansas City, July 12, and thereafter will report July 15th to Pensacola, Fla., for air training.

Courier Tribune
15 Jul 1940
page 3

Local News

LeRoy Armstrong left early Friday morning for Kansas City and from there will go to Pensacola, Fla., to complete his airplane training. A group of his friends escorted him to the depot, wished him farewell and sang “Auld Lang Syne.” Earlier in the week a farewell party was given for LeRoy at the Lakeshore Inn. The young people danced and took moonlight boat rides LeRoy was presented with a tooled leather billfold as a farewell token.

Courier Tribune
2 Jan 1941
page 3

Names in the News

LeRoy Armstrong, who is in the Naval Air Corp stationed at Pensacola, Florida, was home to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong and family from Saturday until Monday. Archie, who is in college at Manhattan, was also home over the week-end. Both boys left Monday afternoon for their respective places. LeRoy likes the Air Corps fine and expects to be transferred to Miami or Jacksonville, Fla., in the near future. He will receive a commission before that time.

Courier Tribune
23 Jan 1941
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Local News
LeRoy Armstrong, Naval Air Corps, was transferred to Miami, Florida, last week. His new address is L. F. Armstrong, Cadet Quarters, N.A.S., Miami, Fla.

Courier Tribune
20 Feb 1941
page 2

LeRoy Armstrong A Flight Instructor
One of Seneca's young men will soon be an instructor in flight training with the naval air reserve station at Pensacola, Florida. He is LeRoy Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong of Seneca, home now form Florida on a two-week leave.
LeRoy began his training a year ago Feb. 15. This Feb. 15 he graduated, has his commission as an ensign and when he returns his duties will be those of an instructor. He has 250 hours of flying time, 100 hours of that gained in the last month, when the air base ha men flying nearly all the time weather was fit. Training is being pushed, Ensign Armstrong observed. He likes flying, was pleased to be picked as instructor, a lot of which falls to a few from each class.
Officially there is little comment about the war at the air base. Unofficially, men comment just the same as they do here. One guess is that conditions will be very tense come spring.

Courier Tribune
3 Mar 1941
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Wanted — One or two passengers for Pensacola, Florida. Leaving early Wednesday morning — See Leroy Armstrong, Seneca phone 200.

Courier Tribune
22 May 1941
page 4

Local News
Ensign LeRoy Armstrong, who has been visiting his parents, MR. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong, and particularly his mother, in the Sabetha hospital, has returned to air base at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Courier tribune
17 Jul 1941
page 2

Has Important Post in Naval Flying

LeRoy Armstrong, Seneca's new pilot of the U.S. Naval service Corpus Christi, Texas, is now an [?] check pilot. One of Armstrong's duties is to check fledgling flyers who are about to solo.
Lieut. Armstrong is in Wichita today. sent there with a group of pilots to ferry training planes from a Wichita factory to Corpus. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong, left here yesterday afternoon so they can visit with their son today.

Courier Tribune
19 Jan 1942
page 4

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Friday morning, Jan. 9 in the little chapel in the village of Sarita, Texas, when Miss Gladys Wempe daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wempe of Seneca, became the bride of Ensign LeRoy Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong, Seneca. The Rev. Father Anthony Clampa, a friend of the bridegroom, read the marriage service at 10 o'clock. The attendants were Miss Odelia Wempe, Omaha, sister of the bride and ensign MacDonald, friend of the bridegroom. Ensign Stanley Aughengaugh presided at the organ. After the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served by Mr. and Mrs. Sparks, LeRoy's friends in Corpus Christi. The bride looked lovely n a white satin gown with court train, fingertip blush veil. Her bouquet was of pink and white carnations. The bridesmaid wore gold organza over satin with matching accessories. The bouquet was of gardenias and rosebuds. The bridegroom and his attendants wore dress uniforms. The bride is a graduate of Sts. Peter and Paul School in the class of 1939 and has since been at home with her parents. She has been a member of the church choir and has participated in the social activities of the parish. The wedding had been planned to take place at Sts. Peter and Paul church but when furloughs were canceled, later plans were made. Ensign Armstrong is a graduate of Horton high school class of 1936, attended teachers College at Emporia and took aviation training in Kansas City before going to Pensacola, Fla., where he received his wind and commission in the U.S. Naval Air Corps. He is an instructor at Rodd Field, Corpus Christi. Ensign and Mrs. Armstrong will reside at 2849 Santa Fe, Corpus Christi.

Courier Tribune
23 Jul 1942
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Archie Armstrong article

Courier Tribune
10 Sep 1942
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Lieut. and Mrs. LeRoy Armstrong returned to Corpus Christi, Texas yesterday. Lieut. Armstrong is an instructor in the naval air corps. Archie Armstrong took his brother and wife to Corpus Christi as his vacation. He expects to be called into navy duty.

Courier Tribune
10 Sep 1942
page 2

News of Men in Service

Ensign LeRoy Armstrong and his mother, Mrs. S. E. Armstrong took Miss Rosemary Armstrong to Mt. St. Scholastica's College in Atchison Labor Day. they visited an uncle of Ensign Armstrong in Atchison and his grandmother in Horton.

Courier Tribune
14 Dec 1942
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Lt. and Mrs. LeRoy Armstrong were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong and MR. and Mrs. C. H. Wempe. They re enroute to a new duty station on the East coast. Prior to detachment from Corpus Christi, Texas, Lt. Armstrong was advanced to senior grade, lieutenant. Archie Armstrong in naval training, Manhattan, Miss Ruthann Armstrong, student nurse, St. Joseph hospital, Kansas City, and Miss Rosemary Armstrong, Mt. St. Scholastica college, Atchison, were home for a week-end visit with their parents and especially to see their brother Lt. Armstrong and his wife.

Courier Tribune
24 Jun 1943
page 3

Names in the News

Lt. LeRoy Armstrong left Tuesday on his return to an eastern Naval Base after spending a week leave with his wife at the home of her parents and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong. Miss Ruth Ann Armstrong returned to Kansas City Tuesday to resume her nurse training course at St. Joseph's hospital. Miss Rosemary Armstrong employed in Topeka, was home over the week-end to visit with her parents and her brother, Liuet. Armstrong.

Courier Tribune
15 Jul 1943
page 3

Names in the News

Lt. Leroy Armstrong arrived home this week from the east coast and will remain until Sunday with his wife at the C. H. Wempe home and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong met their son in Kansas City Tuesday evening. Lt. Armstrong's ship was delayed in sailing and he was given a few days leave.

Courier Tribune
20 Jul 1943
page 3

Local News
Lt. LeRoy Armstrong of the air corps called by telephone and learned of the birth of his son, James Douglas, at the Sabetha hospital. Lt. Armstrong was home a few days before the baby's birth.

Courier Tribune
22 July 1943
page 3

Names in the news

A son weighing eight pounds and three and on-half ounces was born Tuesday afternoon at St. Anthony Hospital, Sabetha, to Mrs. Leroy Armstrong. The baby will be called James Douglas. The baby's father, Lt. Leroy Armstrong, is serving his country in the Naval Air Corps, assigned to an aircraft carrier. He was here last week. Mrs. Armstrong was Miss Gladys Wempe before her marriage and has been staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wempe, east of Seneca, MR. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong are the paternal grandparents. Miss Thelma Wempe, registered nurse of Kansas City , is caring for her sister at the hospital.

Courier Tribune
30 Aug 1943
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Naval Flier Is Missing

Since August the 20th

Lieut. Armstrong May Have Been in Pacific Area or China

Another abrupt shock of the war cam to Seneca Thursday evening, a message that Senior Lieutenant LeRoy Armstrong, U.S. Naval flier, has been missing since August 20.
Lieutenant Armstrong is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Armstrong of Seneca. HE was hereon a furlough the middle of July , having to leave here on the 18th. Two days later his son was born. Mrs. Armstrong was Miss Gladys Wempe before her marriage and she and the little boy, James Douglas, are making their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wempe.
Lieut. Armstrong was assigned to an airplane carrier. His ship is believed to have been sent to the southwest Pacific. However, he may have been sent to china. A gift he sent his wife bore the inscription, "made in China," and may have been intended to convey his location.
The telegram received here bore the usual request that the name of the missing flier's ship or station note be divulged.
LeRoy enlisted in the navy four years ago, and has been stations much of the time at Corpus Christi and Pensacola, part of the time as an instructor. His rank of senior lieutenant is a high one in the navy. It is believed his recent assignment was the operation of a torpedo-carrying plane.
Lieut. Armstrong's mother recently had a serious operation and is at St. Joseph's hospital, Kansas City. To tell her now of the report her son is missing might be too grave a shock and the family is waiting until she is stronger.

Sabetha Herald
29 Sep 1943
page 4

LT. Armstrong Still Missing

Mrs. Leroy Armstrong has received a letter form Lt. Commander Robert Isley, commander of the aircraft carrier on which her husband, Lt. Leroy Armstrong, was assigned. Commander Isley gave Mrs. Armstrong more details of the flight in which Lt. Armstrong was engaged August 20, at which time he was reported missing. Leroy, pilot of a plane in an eight-plane formation, was on routine flight between two islands. His plane was leading the second group. The ships, called torpedo planes, have a crew of three men, the pilot, gunner and radio man. The might in question was stormy and six of the planes reached their objective, the crew of the seventh plane bailed out, and was found on another island. NO trace was found of the eighth plane after several days search. All planes were flying by instruments. No other word has been receive by Mrs. Armstrong or her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong.

Courier Tribune
9 Oct 1944
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A Navy Pilot Is Declared Legally Dead
By Naval Personnel

Ensign Leroy Armstrong Missing Since August 1943 in the Pacific

Mrs. Leroy Armstrong has received notification from the Bureau of Naval Personnel, at Washington, D.C., that her husband is declared legally dead by the government. This is the accepted procedure by military authorities after a service man has been missing in action a year. Ensign Armstrong has been missing since August 20, 1943.
Leroy Armstrong, 25, second son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong, Seneca, ensign in the U.S. Navy, and pilot of a torpedo plane in the Pacific, has been missing in action more than 3 months, after a night training flight, August 20, of last year. The flight was conducted in the vicinity of the Hawaian Islands and the night in question was a stormy one. Ensign Armstrong's ship did not return to the carrier and no trace was ever found of the missing plane or the for man crew. A wide search made in

the area where the plane was thought to have gone down, was unsuccessful. It is the policy of the U.S. Military authorities to declare a service man dead after he has been missing a year and that is what has happened in the case of Ensign Armstrong. Leroy had been in the service since January 28, 1949; having enlisted in Kansas City. He was attending college at Emporia at that time. The Seneca man received his commission in February 1941, at Pensacola, Fla., and for more than two years was instructor in Naval Flight Schools. He was first assigned to Corpus Christi, Texas, and later near Providence, Rhode Island. He had been out of the states a little less than a month when reported missing.

Mrs. Leroy Armstrong is employed mornings in the office Dr. C. M. Barnes and makes her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wempe, east of Seneca. Her son, J. Douglas Armstrong, born July 20, 1943, is cared for by his grandmother, while she is working.

Mr. and Mrs. Se. E. Armstrong have an older son, Archie, ensign in the U.S. Navy and pilot of [?]trol Bomber. Ensign Armstrong recently spent a leave with his parents, reporting at San Diego, Calif., last weekend for assignment.

Courier Tribune
12 Oct 1944
page 1

Leroy Armstrong was a Lieutenant in Navy

Leroy Armstrong, recently reported legally dead by the Naval bureau of Personnel, Washington, was a lieutenant senior grade in the U.S. Navy Air Corps, instead of ensign as stated in Monday's Courier-Tribune. His older brother, Archie Armstrong, is an ensign in the Naval Air Corps.

Full Name	Leroy F Armstrong
State Of Residence	Kansas
Death	21-Aug-44
Death Date	21 Aug 1944
Buried	Missing in Action or Buried at Sea Tablets of the Missing at Honolulu Memorial Honolulu, Hawaii
Memorial Location	Missing in Action or Buried at Sea
Memorial Cemetery	Tablets of the Missing at Honolulu Memorial
Memorial Country	Honolulu, Hawaii
Rank	Lieutenant, U.S. Navy
Service Number	0-084332
Regiment	United States Naval Reserve
Conflict Period	World War II
Served For	United States of America
Views	2

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LT Leroy Floyd Armstrong

BIRTH 17 Mar 1918

DEATH 21 Aug 1944 (aged 26)

MONUMENT Honolulu Memorial
Honolulu, Honolulu County, Hawaii, USA *Add to Map*

PLOT Courts of the Missing

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Armstrong, Leroy Floyd, missing, Seneca.

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Leroy Floyd Armstrong

BIRTH 7 Mar 1918

DEATH 20 Aug 1943 (aged 25)
USA

BURIAL Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery
Seneca, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA *Add to Map*

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MEMORIAL | PHOTOS 2 | FLOWERS 3

He was a U.S. Navy pilot during World War II on the USS Enterprise Aircraft Carrier and was declared missing in action on August 8, 1943.

Margert Steel Garriott

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 27, 2024
Barr,Indiana

Do you ever feel like you are on a wild goose chase when researching a suggested DNA ThruLine? In an effort to verify that Elizabeth Barr is a sister to Hannah Barr Ralston, I started researching one of the ThruLines going thru Elizabeth Barr.

The Ancestry hints for Elizabeth and her husband James Steel supported the family shown on FamilySearch. One of those hints was a death certificate for their daughter Margaret Garriott. Armed with the death certificate, I thought I could also locate an obituary.

> Deaths
>
> Margaret T. Garriott one of the pioneers of Hancock county, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garriott, in Wilkinson, September 4, aged eighty-seven years, five months and four days. Funeral at residence Sunday at 2 p.m., Rev. Hufford officating. Interment in Simmons cemetery.
> Axtell & Condo.
> Wilkinson, Ind.
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> *"Deaths," The Hancock Democrat (Greenfield, Indiana), 20 September 1906, page8; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 19 February 2024).*
>
> Indiana Deaths
> Greenfield, Ind., September 15 — Mrs. Margaret T. Garriott, a pioneer of this county is dead at Wilkinson. She was the widow of William L. Garriott, and was born in Ohio eighty-eight years ago. Two children survive, Henry Garriott and Mrs. Sarah Powers, of Wilkinson.
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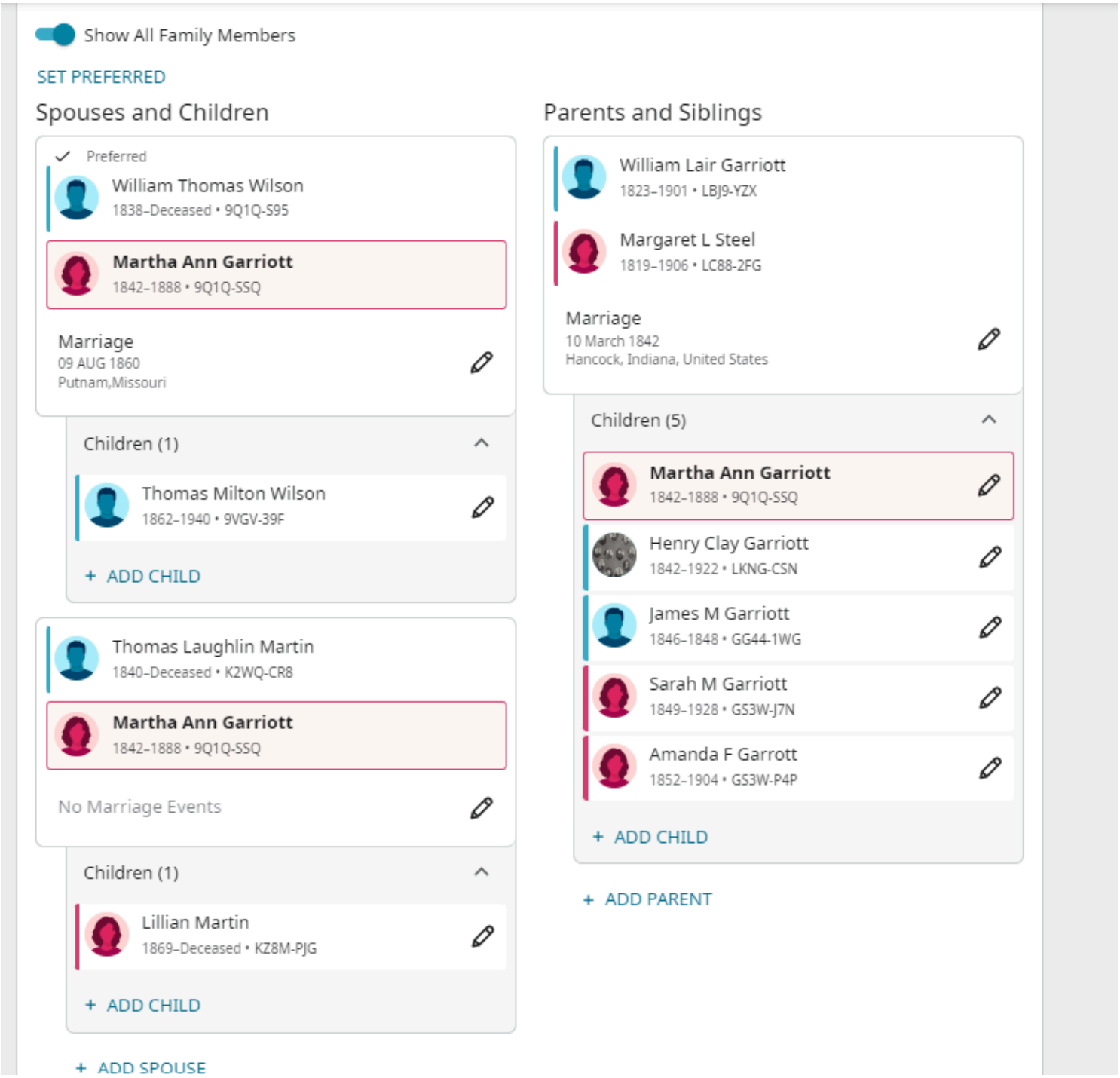
> *"Indiana Deaths," The Indianapolis News (Indianapolis, IN), 15 September 1906, page 22; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 19 February 2024).*

While the obituaries did not raise any red flags, the will I found in the papers did.

> Will of Margaret Garriott
> The last will and testament of Margaret T. Garriott, of Brown township, was probated in open court Monday morning. After the payment of her just debts, if there be any, she bequeaths the residue of her estate both personal and real, as follows: To her son, Henry C. Garriott, one-half; the other half to the chidren and grandchidlren of her deceased daughter, Martha A. Woods, viz: Sarah A. Burk, John C. Woods and Pearle Gibbs, and to the children of Ollie Perin, deceased, viz: William Lindley, George Perin and Charles Percie, share and share alike, except the children of the said Ollie shall take the share of their mother as tenants in common and not each to share equally with the children of said Martha A. Woods, deceased. The will bears the date of August 7, 1903, and was witnessed by Horace A. Brewer and George H. Blakely. Charles O. Garriott is named as executor.
>
> *"Will of Margaret Garriott," The Hancock Democrat (Greenfield, Indiana), 20 September 1906, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 19 February 2024).*

This will is fantastic in that it names grandchildren. Unfortunately, the will disagrees with the family shown on the Family Search tree for Margaret Garriott's daughter, Martha.

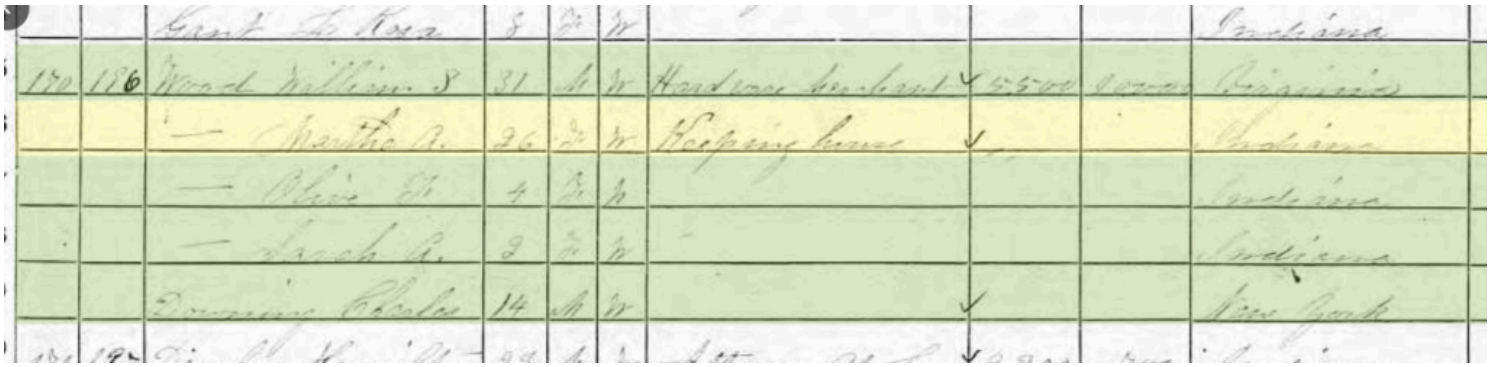


The will idenfifies the following family members:

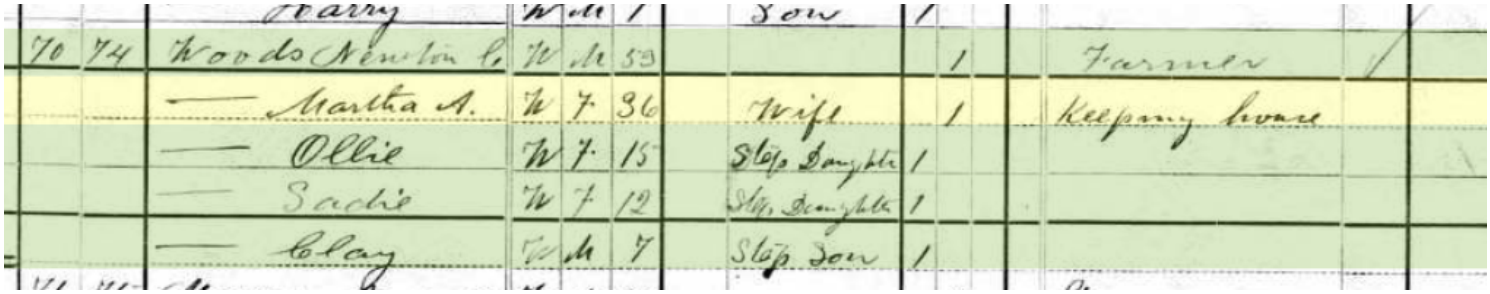
- Henry C. Garriott – son
- Martha A Woods – daughter
  - Sarah A Burk – granddaughter
  - John C. Woods – granddaughter
  - Pearle Gibbs – granddaughter
  - Ollie Perin — grandchild
    - William Lindley — child of Ollie Perin
    - George Perin – child of Ollie Perin
    - Charles Percie — child of Ollie Perin

A search of Ancestry for Martha Garriott's marriage record found one showing a marriage to William S. Wood in Hancock County, IN in 1864.

A search of the 1870 census for Hancock county shows the family of William S. Wood, including children Olive and Sarah.

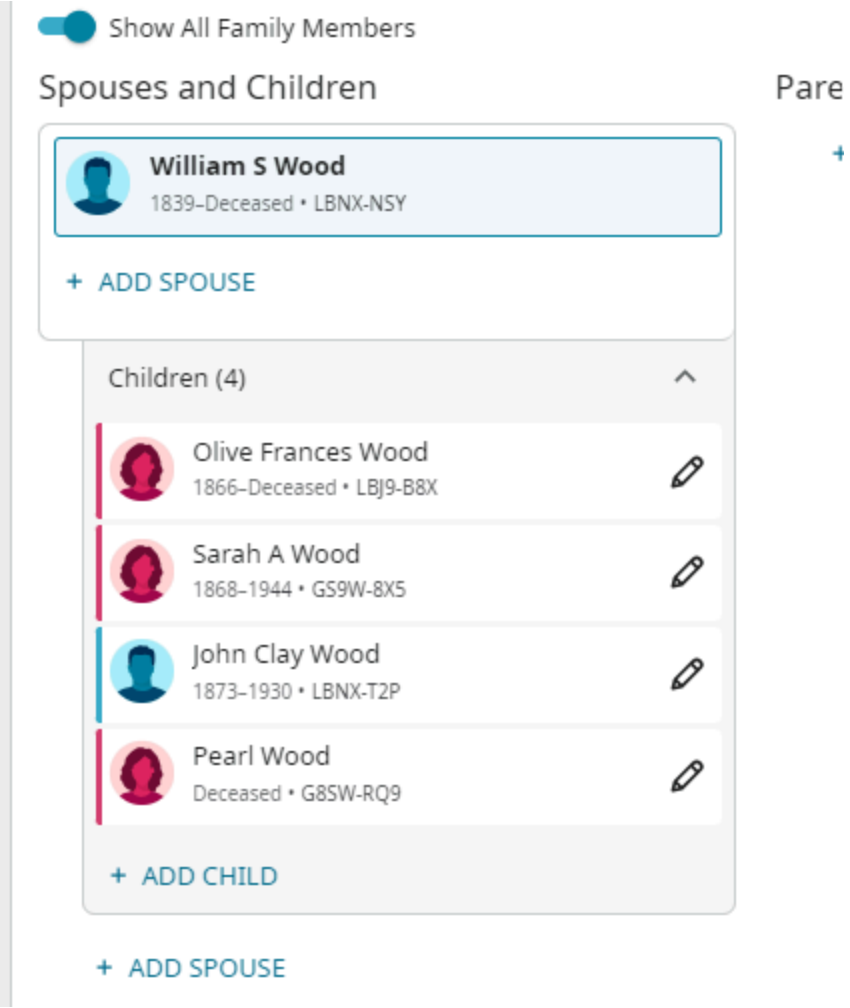


A search for the family in the 1880 census turns up a slightly different family structure. Ollie Woods and Sadie Woods are identified as step-daughters and not daughters. The head of household is shown as Newton C. Woods instead of William Wood.



Another search of Indiana marriage records shows that Martha A. Wood married Newton C. Woods in 1879.

These two census recods and the accompanying marriage records helped me locate the grandchildren on the FamilySearch tree as the children of William S. Wood.



Now, I need to add the sources to the FamilySearch tree and connect the William S. Wood children to their mother, Martha Garriott.

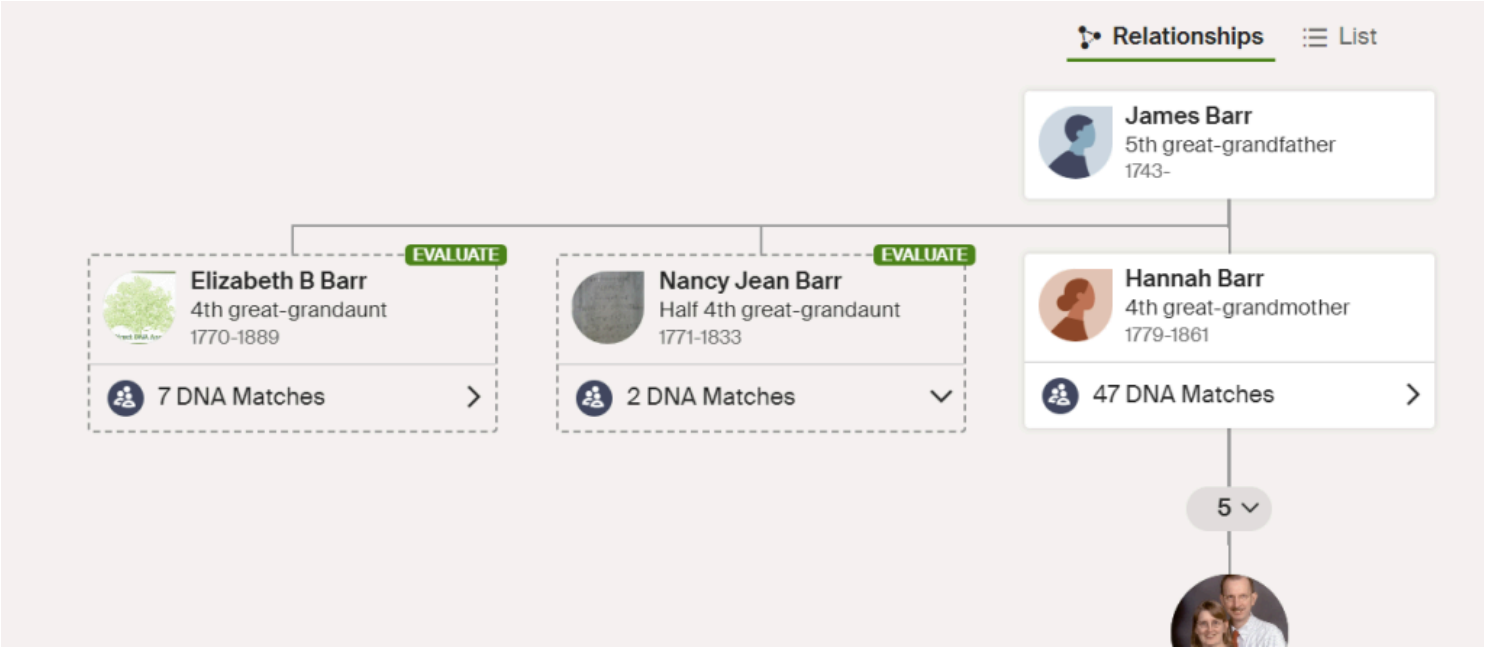
Unlink?

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 28, 2024
Barr,Indiana

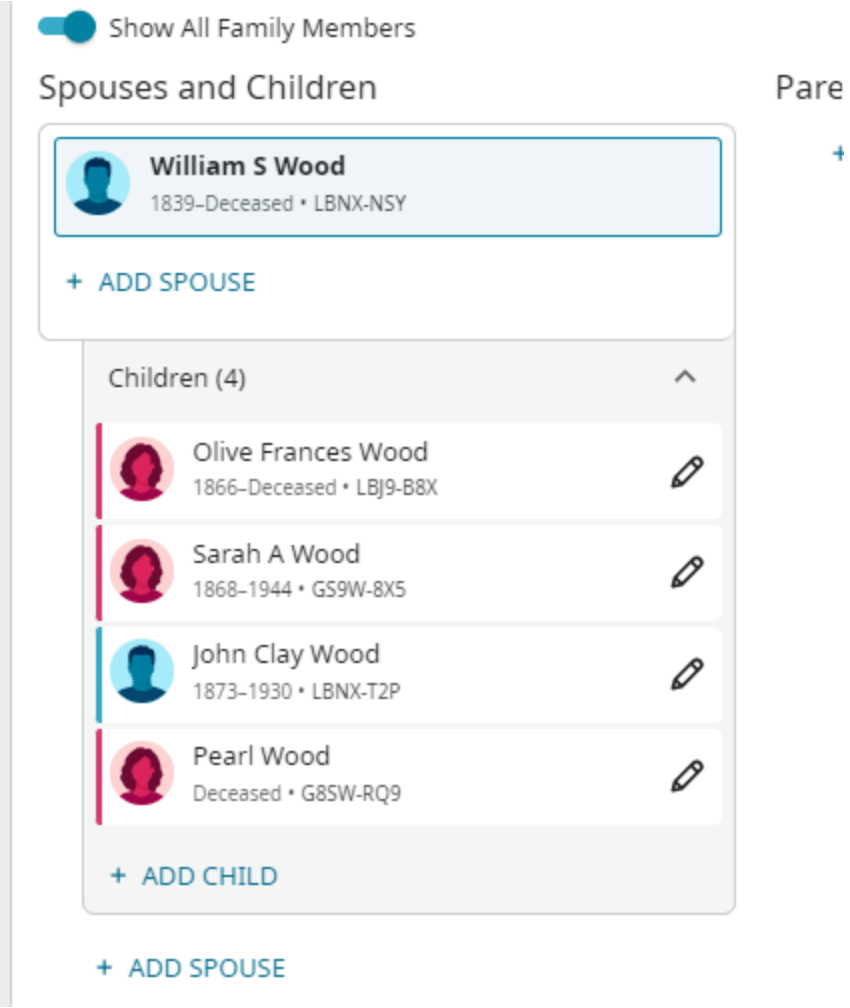
Have you ever unlinked someone from a family on the FamilySearch tree? If so, how much evidence did you have to support removing someone from a family? If you are like me, you have heard others express frustration because someone change 'their' ancestor's information on the FamilySearch tree. Thus, I'm overly cautious about making changes to the FamilySearch tree.

I was recently contacted by a RALSTON researcher about our common ancestor, James Barr, father of Hannah Barr Ralston. While it is unlikely that Hannah was an only child, we didn't have much evidence of any siblings. A recent find in the Armstorng County, Pennsylvania deeds for James Barr suggests a second daughter, Elizabeth.

While data in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania tying Elizabeth Steel to James Barr is elusive, both myself and my fellow researcher have quite a few DNA matches with the STEEL surname in their tree. Thus, I looked at Ancestry's ThruLines for James Barr for hints.



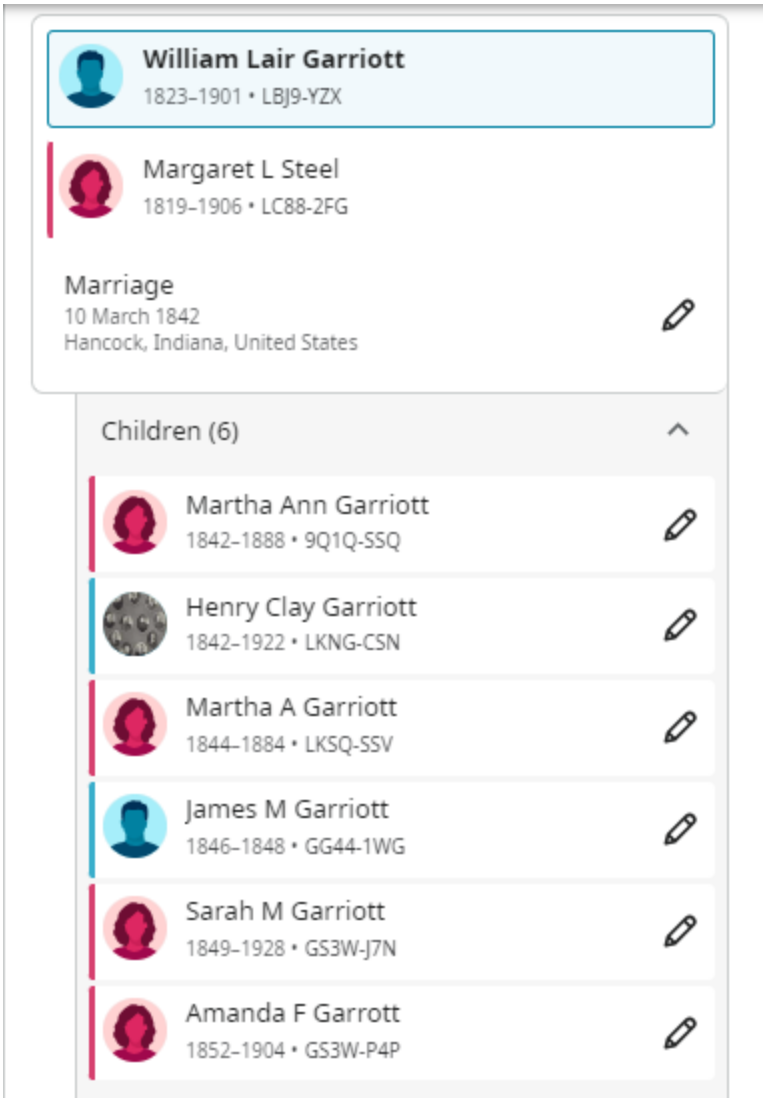
So, I started 'doing genealogy' in hopes of finding information to support Elizabeth Barr being the daughtter of James Barr. And I started with the family of James Steel and his first child, Mararet L. Steel. One of my first finds was a newspaper article about the will of Margaret Steel Garriott. That will identified the children and some grandchildren of Margaret's daughter Martha. With that informaton, I was able to locate those children on the FamilySearch tree.



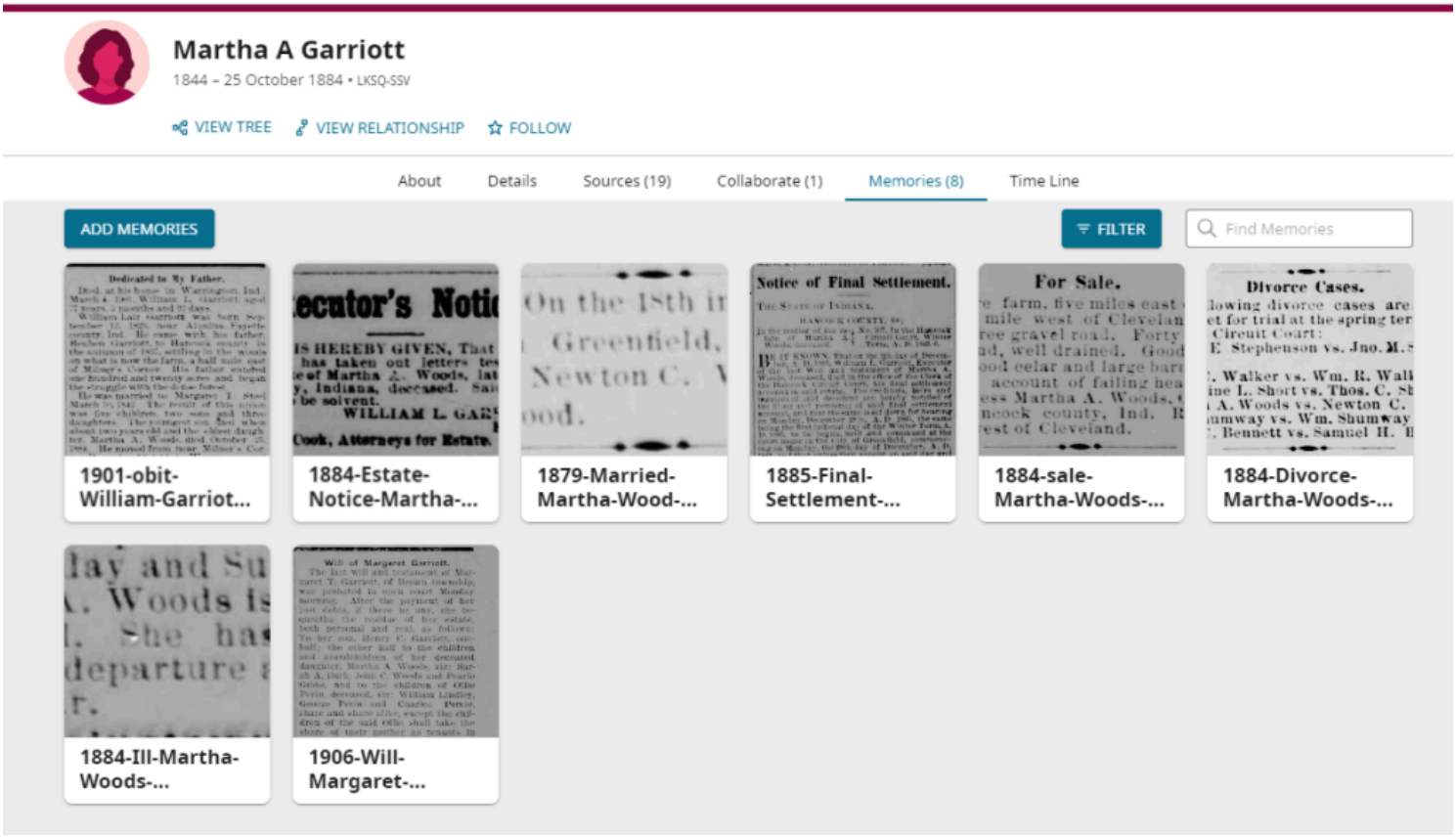
Unfortunately, those children were not linked to their mother, Martha A. Woods. When I investigated the daughter of Margaret Steel named Martha, I found that the mother of the WOOD children had been merged with another Martha Garriott.

Person Restored	**Reason:** Two differnt Martha A Garriott with DIFFERENT spouses.	
Merge	**Surviving Person** Martha Ann Garriott 1842–1888 • 9Q1Q-SSQ	**Deleted Person** Martha A Garriott 1844–1884 • LKSQ-SSV

To restore the mother of the WOOD children, I reversed the merge. That placed a second Martha Garriott in the family.



As I continued to research Martha Garriott, I found (and attached) sources to the FamilySearch tree.



Everything found in the newspapers supports Martha Garriott going by the name of Martha Woods. Not only does the obituary of her mother, Margaret, identify Martha's children, but her father's obituary includes the death date of Martha Woods.

> Dedicated to My Father
> Died at his home in Warrington, Ind., March 4, 1901, William L. Garriott, aged 77 years, 5 months and 22 days.
> William Lair Garriott was born September 12, 1823, near Alquina, Fayette county, Ind. He came with his father Reuben Garriott to Hancock county in the autumn of 1837, settling in the woods on what is now the farm, a half mile east of Milner's Corner. His father entered one hundred and twenty acres and began the struggle with the dense forest.
> He was married to Margaret T. Steel March 10, 1842. The result of this union was five children, two sons and three daughters. The youngest son died when about two years old and ***the eldest daughter, Martha A. Woods, died October 25, 1884.*** He moved from near Milner's Corner December 12, 1854, to Warrington and remained there until his death. He filled the office of Township Clerk several terms under the new school law of the fifties and was elected Justice of the Peace in 1861 and served four years. He was elected Township Trustee about the year 1880. He settled more estates than any other man of his township. He was an undertaker until he was too old to attend to the business, having buried numbers of persons without any compensation. He never joined any church, although his father was a Christian preacher and all of his relatives were members of that church, but he always defended the Gospel when assailed in his presence. In a private conversation with the writer on that subject he said: "Professors of christianity slandered their neighbors, would back bite their brethren, would lie, chat and do other bad things that he did not do, and he felt that he was better off by not making a mock." He presumed every one to be honest until tested. He was honest and honorable in all of his dealings. In all of his public life there was never a penny's shortage. He lived to see this country develop from a dense forest to a garden spot as it were — from the reap hook and wooden moldboard plow to an endless variety of machinery for tilling the soil. He tried to live in peace with every one with whom he met and did with but few exceptions. I never knew him to have but two quarrels in fifty years. He was a peacemaker at all times and saved many lawsuits by his council. He was benevolent at all times. He was a cheerful companion and always looked at the bright side of the picture. He was a good neighbor and friend, a kind husband, an indulgent father, always doting on his children and grandchildren, speaking many times about his boys during his last sickness. He leaves the companion of his youth, with whom he lived fifty-nine years; one son, two daughters, two sisters, one in Albion, Iowa, and one on San Francisco, Cal.; thirteen grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his sorrowful taking away.
> His funeral was preached by Elder t. H. Kuhn at the Christian church Wednesday, Marcy 6, at 10 o'clock, after which his remains were taken to the Simmons cemetery and laid to rest. Let us all cherish his memory and remember his good council and learn to live like him; to no speak evil of any and to live in peace with our friends and all mankind. Peace to his ashes.

Henry C. Garriott
Wilkinson, Ind., March 11, 1901

"Dedicated to My Father," The Hancock Democrat (Greenfield, Indiana), 14 March 1901, page 8; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 21 February 2024).

Since the obituaries of the parents support Martha A. Garriot [LKSQ-SSV] being the daughter of William and Margaret (Steel) Gerriott and not Martha Ann Garriott [9Q1Q-SSQ], I am going to unlink the second Martha.

I realize doing this might upset researchers of Martha Ann Garriott. I hope that I am providing sufficient sources to justify my action. Hopefully, those other researchers will agree.

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 29, 2024
Barr

Guardian Case

Have you ever found the full text of a court case in a newspaper? While searching for records involving the descendants of Elizabeth Ann Steele Combs Chandler, I found a case involving guardianship records for the estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased husband of Margaret Combs Boyes.

The 14 July 1904 issue of the Siskiyou Daily News devotes over 2 columns to the case concerning the final account of Jerome Churchill, Guardian. This article gives the death date of Charles B. Boyes, identifies his widow as Margaret Jane Boyes and lists the children.

- Alice Amelia Boyes
- Mattie Angeline Boyes
- Lutie Anson Boyes
- Charles Combs Boyes
- John Ethan BOyes
- Fannie Jane Boyes
- Damie Elizabeth Boyes
- Dora Marie Boyes

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> On February 13, 1904, the guardian of said minors filed his first and final separately, to each and all of them. The minor's separately, filed written objections to the said account, as amended. Letters of guardianship were issued herein to Jerome Churchill, on July 10, 1890, at the request of Margaret Jane Boyes, the widow of Charles B. Boyes, and mother of the said minors. On March 11, 1891, the said guardian filed in the said court an inventory and appraisement, showing that there then was the credit of the said minors, in all, $ 8,960.00 or $ 1,120.00 to each of said minor's separate estate. The said sum being the proceeds of a life insurance policy, secured by the said Charles B. Boyes upon his own life, on October 29, 1856, and which was on November 26, 1886 , by him assigned to said Margaret Jane Boyes and their said children. Charles B. Boyes died on or about January 27,1890, and on April 15,1890, letters of administration upon his estate were issued out of said court to Jerome Churchill and Margaret Jane Boyes, who ever since has been and now are the duly qualified and acting administrator and administratrix of said estate. On April 5, 1890, there came into the said estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased, as is shown by the inventory and appraisement therein filed, real and personal property of the total value of $ 51,651.85. The total indebtedness of the said estate as shown by the list claims presented and allowed, as per the administrators' account filed June 8, 1893, was $ 31,036.43. This amount included the claim of the Siskiyou County Bank and that of J Churchill on promissory notes and accounts. So that at the time of Charles B. Boyes' death his estate, independently of the $ 10,000.00 life insurance policy, was of the approximate value of $ 20,000.00 over and above ail indebtedness then existing against the same. On March 9, 1891, the said guardian loaned to the administrators of the estate of the estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased, his said ward's insurance money, amounting to $ 8,960., and, at the same time, Margaret Jane Boyes loaned to

said estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased, the sum of $ 620.00 of the amount she had received as her individual share of the said insurance money. In the guardian's said accounts he charges himself with the accumulated interest on said sum of $ 8,960.00$ or on each of his said ward's share on $ 1,120.00 at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, from July 15,1891 . This same rate of interest is credited by the said guardian in accounting with his said wards on the said principal sum, or the balance thereof due to each ward as shown by the said guardian's accounts. No charges whatever are made in the guardian's accounts against any of his said wards for their maintenance prior to July 15,1891 ; up to which time they were supported by the estate of Charles B. Boyes. Thereafter the guardian maintained said wards with the money arising from the interest annually accumulating from the money belonging to their separate estates, and when that was insufficient for such purpose, he used so much of the principal sum, from time to time, as was necessary for each ward's individual support. So that on February 13, 1904, when said amended accounts were rendered, there was due and owing to the said wards, severally, as shown by the said accounts, the following amounts:

To Alice Amelia Boyes, $ 381.56; to Mattie Angeline Boyes, $ 905.53; to Lutie Anson Boyes, $37.70, and to Charles Combs Boyes, $30.04. And the following named wards are indebted to said guardian, as shown by said accounts, as follows: John Ethan Boyes in the sum of $ 260.28$; Fannie Jane Boyes in the sum of $ 39.01$; Damie Elizabeth Boyes in the sum of $ 109.41$, and Dora Marie Boyes in the sum of $ 173.19$

The above evidence shows that, with the exception of a few items of individual expenditure, the guardian did not, in fact, keep any separate accounts with his wards, but that each was charged with his or her proportionate share of the common indebtedness incurred in maintaining the entire family. "When a guardianship exists for more than one ward, the account of each should be stated and filed separately; and the final account of a guardian should be full and complete, embracing all the items of account." (En. P. & P. Vol. 9, page 964-5 and notes.) The guardian must manage the estate of his ward frugally and without waste, and apply the income and

profits thereof, as far as may be necessary, for the comfortable and suitable maintenance of the ward –Section 1770 C. C. P. And "when a guardian has advanced for the necessary maintenance, support, or education of his ward, an amount not disproportionate to the value of his estate or his condition in life, and the same is made to appear to the satisfaction of the court, by proper vouchers and proofs, the guardian must be allowed credit therefor in his settlements." (Sec 1771 C. C. P. Cal.) A guardian is liable only for willful default or gross negligence, and is allowed the exercise of reasonable discretion and prudential care in managing his ward's property. (In Re Bryson's Estate, 13 Lane. Bar, 45; Century Digest, Vol. 25, 399). But the burden of proof is on the guardian to show the correctness of expenditures. In the exercise of that discretion, if the guardian upon consulting with the mother of the children, deemed it for the best interests of his wards to keep the family together and provide for their common maintenance during their minority in that manner, then the law will hardly attribute default or gross negligence to the guardian in the management of his ward's estate; particularly in the absence of proof that they could have been separately or collectively maintained for a less amount of money than is charged against them by the guardian in his accounts.

Another point made by the counsel for said wards is, that only transactions between the guardian and ward terminating at the expiration of the trust should be included in the account. One of the conditions of the guardian's bond is that he will at the expiration of his trust settle his accounts with the court, or with the ward, if he be of full age, or his legal representatives.-Sec. 1754 , sub. div. 3, C.C.P.

When a ward attains the age of majority-which in California is twenty-one years for males and eighteen years for females-the office of guardian comes to an end, and it is then the duty of the guardian to exhibit a final account of his guardianship to a court of probate, make settlement, and deliver all the property in his hands to the ward." In Re Allgier, 65 Cal. 228; Estate of Curtis, 121 Cal. 468; En. P. \& P. Vol. 9, pages 964-5.)
"Jurisdiction remains in the probate court, after the minor's majority, over the estate in the hands of the guardian for the purposes of an accounting as to transactions during the minority of the ward, but not as to any occurring after the ward bas attained his majority-In Re Estate of Curtis, supra

"The superior court acting in probate for the settlement of the estate of a minor, proceeds in rem, and has only jurisdiction to settle the accounts of the guardian with respect to the ward's estate received by him as guardian; and if, at the time the ward reaches his majority, there is no such estate left the court has no jurisdiction to settle the accounts of the guardian, and render judgment against the ward, for advances made by the guardian after the ward attained his majority, notwithstanding an agreement between them that the guardianship should continue, and that the advances should be made as guardian." (Estate of Kincaid, $120 Cal 203). Advances made by Jerome Churchill to any of the said minors, if any, after they attained majority may, perhaps, be deducted from their distributive share in the settlement of the estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased, but cannot be settled in this proceeding-Id. 204. B
The counsel for the said minors make the further contention that "the duty of maintaining the family of Charles B. Boyes, which the law imposed upon the deceased husband and father in his lifetime, is continued against his estate pending its administration. The law provides that at any time during the administration, the court may, on its own motion, or on petition therefor set apart for the use of the surviving wife all the property exempt from execution. And the code further provides that if no homestead has been selected, designated and recorded, the

court must select, designate, and set apart a homestead for the use of the surviving widow or minor children of the decedent.-Sec. $1465 C. P.

Section 1466 of the Code of Civil Procedure of this State additionally provides that “if the amount set apart be insufficient for the support of the widow and children, or either, the court or a judge thereof must make such reasonable allowance out of the estate as shall be necessary for the maintenance of the family, according to their circumstances, during the progress of the settlement of the estate, which in case of an insolvent estate, must not be longer than one year after granting letters testamentary or of administration.”
In Re Lux, 100 Cal. 603, the supreme court of this State held that the provisions of said section 1466 C. C.P. are express and mandatory, regardless of the widow’s financial ability to support herself without aid from the estate. The same rule must necessarily apply to the minor children. And where the estate is solvent, the order of allowance made by the court to the widow and children out of the estate of the deceased husband and father should embrace the entire period of the settlement of the estate. See, also, In Re Lux, 114 Cal. 77.
“In the matter of payment of family allowance an executor or administrator is not required to wait for an order of the court, but may make the necessary expenditures and the court should allow him credit for the payment of such sums.” Id.
The true rule seems to be, that where the estate of a deceased husband and father is solvent, the widow and minor children, as a matter of legal right, are entitled to such reasonable allowance out of the estate as may be necessary for their maintenance during the progress of the settlement of the estate. And that their private estate cannot be encroached upon by the guardian for their maintenance, unless it be shown that the estate of the husband and father is,

in fact, insolvent. Thus far the estate of Charles B. Boyes remains in progress of settlement. According to the Third Account and Report of the administrators of said estate, filed November 26, 1902 , the net value of the said estate, exclusive of the uncollected portion of the Los Angeles property, was $ 9,843.02. This amount would be very materially diminished if the estate were charged up with the full amount of the indebtedness due to the estate of said minors. Without further showing as to the present condition and value of the estate of Charles B. Boyes, deceased, the court cannot settle the guardian’s account as rendered. In view of the situation, the court will make such other and further order and orders herein as the law and facts warrant in the premises and the rights of the parties demand.
J. S. BEARD, Judge.

Supervisor Williams, Hellmuth, Wood, Gardner and H. H. Patterson present. H. H. Patterson presiding.

The following bills ordered paid:

Dette Road Fund.

H S Kelly,	road work	$ 70 70
T A Davidson,	"	67 00
Fish Co Bk,	acct	87 00
E B Cavanaugh,	plow	20 00
"	" supplies	13 00
H H Patterson,	1/2 Cons 6 inc	50 00
J B Scott,	road work	156 00

On motion it is ordered that the bill of Sawyer & Cooper for meat, be and the same is hereby accepted, for use in County Hospital.

On motion that the bill of the Ice Hire, for groceries and supplies for the Hospital, being the best and lowest bid made, the contract for the year 1904 is hereby awarded to the Ice Hire Co., and all other bids are hereby rejected.

On motion the bid of Herman Brauer for furnishings for County Hospital, being the lowest bid made, the contract is hereby awarded to said Herman Brauer for the year 1904 and all other bids are hereby rejected.

Board adjourned and met as Board of Equalization.

On motion it is ordered that the following named persons or corporations be cited to appear before the Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County on July 13th, 1904, at 10 o'clock, a. m., then and there to show cause, if any they have, why the assessment should not be raised in the amounts set after their respective names:

Grass & Ranch Co., $2,000; Coggins Bros., $5,000; T B Walker, timberlands, $2.00 per acre. Sunset Telephone Co., $50.00 per mile; Ruhe J. Cole, $8,000.

On motion it is ordered that Supervisor A. Wood be granted permission to leave the State for the time allowed by law.

Board adjourned to Saturday, July 16, 1904, 10 a. m.

Right Was Her Terror.

"I would cough nearly all night long," writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate of Alexandria Ind., "and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but, when all other medicines failed, three 45 bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 58 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Price 50 cts and $1. Trial bottle 10 cts at Dr. O'Connell's drug store.

Decision by Judge Beard.

In the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California.

In the matter of the Estate and Guardianship of Alice Estella Boyes, et. al., Minors.

First and Final Account of Jennie Churchill, Guardian.

Upon the hearing and settlement of said account Ella A. Truesdell appeared for the guardian, and E. F. Taylor and J. H. Magoffin for the minors.

On February 13, 1904, the guardian of said minors filed his first and final amended account, in which he accounts, separately, for each and all of them. The minors separately, filed written objections to the said account, as amended.

Letters of guardianship were issued to Jennie Churchill on July 16, 1900, at the request of Margaret Jane Boyes, the widow of Charles E. Boyes and mother of the said minors. On March 31, 1901, the said guardian filed in the said court an inventory and appraisement, showing that there then was in the possession of the said guardian, as the result of the said minors, in all, $9,908.08 or $1,128.90 to each of said infant's separate estate. The said sum being the proceeds of life insurance policy, issued by the said Charles E. Boyes upon his own life, on October 20, 1886, and which was on November 20, 1900, by him assigned to said Margaret Jane Boyes and their said children, Charles B. Boyes died on or about January 27, 1900, and on April 13, 1900, letters of administration upon his estate were issued out of said court to Jennie Churchill and Margaret Jane Boyes, who ever since her been and now are the duly qualified and acting administrator and administratrix of said estate. On April 7, 1900, there came into the possession of the said representatives of said estate of Charles E. Boyes, deceased, as is shown by the inventory and appraisement therein filed, real and personal property of the total value of $35,351.85. The total indebtedness of the said estate, as shown by the list of claims presented and allowed, as per the administrators' account filed June 4, 1903, was $15,826.45. This amount included the claim of the Siskiyou County Bank and that of J. Churchill on promissory notes and accounts. So that at the time of Charles E. Boyes' death his estate, independently of the $10,000.00 in insurance policy, was of the appraised value of $20,000.00 over and above all indebtedness then existing against the same. On March 8, 1901, the said guardian turned to the administrators of the estate of the estate of Charles E. Boyes, deceased, her said ward's insurance money, amounting to $9,908, and at the same time, Margaret Jane Boyes turned to said estate of Charles E. Boyes, deceased, the sum of $826.00 of the amount she had received as her individual share of the said insurance money. In the guardian's said account she charges herself with the moneys and interest on said sum of $9,908.00 up to and including the 1st day of July, 1903, at the rate of 8 per cent, per annum, from July 13, 1901. This same rate of interest is credited by the said guardian in accounting with her said wards on the said principal sum, or the balance thereof due to each ward as shown by the said guardian's accounts. No charges whatever are made in the guardian's accounts against any of his said wards for their maintenance prior to July 13, 1901 (up to which time they were supported by the estate of Charles E. Boyes. Thereafter the guardian maintained said wards with the moneys arising from the interest annually accumulating from the money belonging to their separate estates, and when that was insufficient for such purpose, he used so much of the principal sum, from time to time, as was necessary for such ward's individual support. So that on February 13, 1904, when said amended accounts were rendered, there was due and owing to the said wards, severally, as aforesaid, by the said guardian, the following amounts:

To Alice Estella Boyes, $791.56; to Stella Angeline Boyes, $905.51; to Louis Aaron Boyes, $77.50, and to Charles Orville Boyes, $20.06. And the following amounts are admitted to said guardian, as shown by said accounts, as follows: John Ethel Boyes in the sum of $250.20; Fannie Jane Boyes in the sum of $29.81; Dessie Elizabeth Boyes in the sum of $100.01, and Dora Marie Boyes in the sum of $125.13.

The above evidence shows that, with the exception of a few items of individual expenditure, the guardian did not, in fact, keep any separate accounts with his wards, but that such was charged with his or her proportionate share of the common indebtedness incurred in maintaining the estate family. "When a guardianship exists for more than one ward, the account of each should be stated and filed separately; and the final account of a guardian should be full and complete, embracing all the items of account." (Est. P. & P. Vol. 1, page 3043 and notes.) The question now arises as to the estate of his ward frugally and without waste, and apply the income and profits thereof, as far as may be necessary, for the comfortable and suitable maintenance of the ward—Section 1778 C. C. P. And "when a guardian has discharged for the necessary maintenance, support, or education of his ward, an amount not disproportionate to the value of his estate or his condition in life, and the estate is made to appear to the satisfaction of the court, by proper vouchers and proofs, the guardian must be allowed credit therefor in his settlement." (See 1721 C. C. P. Cal.) A guardian is liable only for willful default or gross negligence, and is allowed the exercise of reasonable discretion and prudential care in managing his ward's property. (In Re Bryan's Estate, 12 Lans. Rep. 45; Century Digest, Vol. 25, 96). But the burden of proof is on the guardian to show the correctness of expenditures. In the exercise of that discretion, if the guardian upon consulting with the mother of the children, deems it for the best interests of his wards to keep the family together and provide for their common maintenance during their minority in that manner, then the law will hardly adjudge default or gross negligence to the guardian in the management of his ward's estate; particularly in the absence of proof that they could have been separately or collectively maintained for a less amount of money than is charged against them by the guardian in his accounts.

Another point made by the counsel for said wards is, that only transactions between the guardian and ward terminating at the expiration of the trust should be included in the account. One of the conditions of the guardian's bond is that he will at the expiration of his trust settle his accounts with the court, or with the ward, if he be of full age, or the legal representatives.—Sec. 1754, sub. div. 3, C. C. P.

"When a ward attains the age of majority—which in California is twenty-one years for males and eighteen years for females—the office of guardian ceases as to him, and it is then the duty of the guardian to exhibit a final account of his guardianship to a court of probate, make settlement, and deliver all the property in his hands to the ward." (In Re Allgier, 66 Cal. 229; Estate of Curtis, 128 Cal. 466; Est. P. & P. Vol. 3, pages 3054.)

"Jurisdiction remains in the probate court, after the minor's majority, over the estate in the hands of the guardian for the purposes of an accounting as to transactions during the minority of the ward, but not as to any occurring after the ward has attained his majority.—In re Estate of Curtis, supra

"The superior court acting in probate for the settlement of the estate of a minor, proceeds in rem, and has only jurisdiction to settle the accounts of the guardian with respect to the ward's estate received by him as guardian; and if, at the time the ward reaches his majority, there is no such estate left the court has no jurisdiction to settle the accounts of the guardian, and render judgment against the ward, for advances made by the guardian after the ward attained his majority, notwithstanding an agreement between them that the guardianship should continue, and that the advances should be made as guardian." (Estate of Kincaid, 129 Cal. 391.)

Advances made by Jennie Churchill to or for the said minors, if any, after they attained majority may, perhaps, be defeated from their distributive share in the settlement of the estate of Charles E. Boyes, deceased, but cannot be settled in this proceeding.—H. 204.

The counsel for the said minors asks the further question that "the duty of maintaining the family of Charles E. Boyes, which the law imposed upon the deceased husband and father in his lifetime, is continued against his estate pending its administration. The law provides that at any time during the administration, the court may, on its own motion, or on petition therefor set apart for the use of the surviving wife all the property except from execution. And the code further provides that if no homestead has been selected, designated and recorded, the court must select, designate and set apart a homestead for the use of the surviving widow or minor children of the decedent.—Sec. 1468 C. C. P.

Section 1465 of the Code of Civil Procedure of this State additionally provides that "If the estate set apart be insufficient for the support of the widow and children, or either, the court or a judge thereof must make such reasonable allowance out of the estate as shall be necessary for the maintenance of the family, according to their circumstances, during the progress of the settlement of the estate, which is expected as husband's estate, must not be longer than one year after granting letters testamentary or of administration."

In Re Lyon, 100 Cal. 603, the supreme court of this state held that the provisions of said section 1465 C. C. P. are gross and manifestly, regardless of the widow's financial ability to support herself without aid from the estate. The same rule must necessarily apply to the minor children. And where the estate is solvent, the order of allowance made by the court to the widow and children out of the estate of the deceased husband and father should embrace the entire period of the settlement of the estate. (See In Re Lyon, 114 Cal. 77.

"In the matter of payment of family allowance as executor or administrator is not required to wait for an order of the court, but may make the necessary expenditures and the court should allow his credit for the payment of such sums." Id.

The true rule seems to be, that where the estate of a deceased husband and father is solvent, the widow and minor children, as a matter of legal right, are entitled to such reasonable allowance out of the estate as may be necessary for their maintenance during the progress of the settlement of the estate. And that their private estate cannot be encroached upon by the guardian for their maintenance, unless it be shown that the estate of the husband and father is, in fact, insolvent. Then for the estate of Charles E. Boyes remains in process of settlement. According to the Third Account and Report of the administrators of said estate, filed November 20, 1902, the net value of the said estate, exclusive of the unsolicited portion of the Los Angeles property, was $7,343.02. This amount would be very materially diminished if the estate were charged up with the full amount of the indebtedness due to the estate of said minors. Without further evidence as to the present condition and value of the estate of Charles E. Boyes, deceased, the court cannot settle the guardian's account as rendered. In view of the situation, the court will make each other and further order and order herein as the law and facts warrant in the premises and the rights of the parties demand.

J. V. Beard,
Judge.

It is much easier for a woman to smile in the morning than in the morning when she knows that she will be present her cookbooks and keep them to herself. How strong her misconceptions of the world and can help the recipe she needs advice. There in every manner why women should not read their divorce constitutions in the hands of sensible persons. It requires a thorough medical education to appreciate and understand the remedy explained. When a woman has life and pains that she cannot help ... when life seems dark for every woman she should confide her troubles to a physician of standing in the community, or one who has a national reputation. On which it would not be the part of wisdom to consult a an ignorant person without medical education simply because she was a woman. There is every reason why she should write to some great specialist, one who has made the diseases of women a specialty for a third of a century, like Dr. R. V. Pierce, founder of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. All his correspondence is held sacredly confidential, and he gives his advice free and without charge.

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Ordinance No. 47

An Ordinance Changing the Open Season for the Killing of Deer in Siskiyou.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, between the 1st day of December of each year and the 1st day of May, of the following year, to have, possess, take, kill or destroy, or have in his possession within the County of Siskiyou, State of California, any deer.

Any person or persons violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after the 22nd day of August, 1904.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

The foregoing ordinance was, at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, held at Yreka City, the County seat of said County on the 5th day of July, 1904, passed by said Board, supervisors H. H. Patterson, Chairman Ward, E. F. Williams, G. F. Reynolds, and A. D. Gardner voting in favor of the adoption, and none voting against the same. Carried. Board declared passed.

I, H. H. Patterson, Chairman of the said Board of Supervisors, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance is hereby signed by the Chairman of the said Board of Supervisors and attested by the Clerk thereof, with the seal of the said Board affixed this 6th day of July, 1904.

E. D. PATTERSON,
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.
ROBERT HARRIS,
Clerk of the said Board.

Summons.

In the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, and the Complaint filed in the office of the Clerk of said Superior Court.

Plaintiff, vs. Albert H. Defendant.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Albert H. Defendant.

You are hereby directed to appear in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, and to answer the Complaint filed therein within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this Summons, if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, this 25 day of June, A. D. 1904.

(Seal) ROBERT HARRIS, Clerk.
By W. J. SEIGLE, Deputy Clerk.
Curtis & Cranmer, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Notice.

School Bond Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the electors of La Lake School District, in the County of Siskiyou, and State of California, that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 1858 of the Code of Civil Procedure, as amended by Section 1880, and including Section 1881 of said Code, an election will be held on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1904, at the Public School House in the said La Lake School District, in said County and State aforesaid, at which time and which election the following proposition will be submitted to the electors of said District and voting thereat, to wit: For the purpose of building thereon a school house, and for the purchasing of a site therefor, and furnishing the same.

The polls will be opened and the election held at the School House in La Lake School District, on the 30th day of July, 1904, and the polls will be open from 9 o'clock of said day until 5 o'clock p. m. of said day.

E. L. Graves, Herman Kronenberg and O. J. Reed will act as Judges of said election to conduct the same.

The board of trustees to be issued in form as follows, to the denomination of $100.00 dollars each, and to run for thirty-one years from and after date.

Said bonds are to be numbered consecutively, to wit, numbers, and are to mature as follows, to-wit:

No. 1, one year from date.
No. 2 2 years from date.
No. 3, 3 years from date.
No. 4, 4 years from date.
No. 5, 5 years from date.
No. 6, 6 years from date.
No. 7, 7 years from date.
No. 8, 8 years from date.
No. 9, 9 years from date.
No. 10, 10 years from date.

Said coupons will be held to conformity with the provisions of the Political Code of California governing such elections.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

Attest: KEETIE EVANS,
C. T. SILVERS, Trustees of La Lake
Clerk. School District.
Dated 7th July, 1904.

Notice.

In the Superior Court of the State of California.

In the matter of the estate of George K. Quinlan, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that a document purporting to be the last will and testament of George K. Quinlan, deceased, has been presented to this court and a petition for the probate thereof has been filed with the Clerk of said court, and that Saturday, the 6th day of August, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the County Court room in Yreka City, has been appointed as the time when and place where said petition will be heard.

By order.

ROBERT HARRIS, Clerk.
James E. Devendorf, Attorney for Petitioner.

Notice.

In the Superior Court of the County of Siskiyou, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that a document purporting to be the last will and testament of Harris Cuddy, deceased, has been presented to the Court, and a petition for the probate thereof has been filed with the Clerk of said Court, and that Saturday, the 20th day of August, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the Court room in Yreka City, has been appointed as the time when and place where said petition will be heard.

By order of the Court.

ROBERT HARRIS, Clerk.
C. J. Lubach, Attorney for Petitioner.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
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Battery D Entrains
Many Persons Gather at Rock Island Station Friday Morning to See Sabetha Men Leave

Hundreds of Sabethans (parents, wives, sweethearts and children) gathered at the Rock Island station last Friday morning to bid farewell to Battery D members and watch them entrain for Camp Joseph T. Robinson near Little Rock, Ark. The scene was typical of the goodbyes and Godspeeds that were said at many departures as Kansas National Guard units left their home stations.

Immediately after Virgil Lehnherr, top sergeant, ordered his men to fall in. Mayor S M Hibbard, a lieutenant-colonel in the medical corps gave a short speech of farewell sending with the Battery members the good wishes of the crowd that had gathered to see the men leave. He impressed upon them the seriousness of the task that lay ahead, pointing that Sabethan knew Battery D would make a fine showing at camp.

As per schedule at 10 o'clock the Pullman conductor shouted 'board' and the train began to move. A sea of waving hands bade goodbye to the 65 men who will be gone from Sabetha for at least a year's encampment and training.

The train was to arrive at Little Rock on Saturday night. From Sabetha the men traveled to Horton to pick up units there, then on south to Topeka and east to Kansas City and St. Louis. The men traveled in much better equipment than during the last World War or in troop movements to Minnesota last August. The special train was equipped with a cook's galley that had been set up in one of the baggage cars.

The high school ban arrived at the station about ten minutes before train time to give the men a rousing send-off. As the train rolled from the station the band played the national anthem. Well wishers returned silently to the many cars parked near the station.

Second-lieutenants Vernon Dillaplain and Clyde Bloxsom were in charge of the train. Capt. J. W. Cavender and Ray Pittenger, second lieutenant, left Sabetha at ?:15 o'clock Friday morning with the battery's trucks, field guns and equipment. There were 25 men in the truck convoy including drivers, mechanics and officers. Pittenger was to travel in a station wagon about three or four miles ahead of the convoy. Since the trucks stop frequently for inspection and do not travel at night, they were not to reach the Arkansas camp until sometime Sunday afternoon.

Nebraska National Guard units began their movement to Camp Robinson on Monday. One special train started at North Platte, Neb., picked up men at Grand Island and Hastings and came south to Marysville where guard units entrained.

Happy Easter

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
March 31, 2024
Uncategorized

WELCOME
TO THE UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
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Happy
Easter

Aristippus Brown Part 2

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 1, 2024
Missouri

Do you ever have cause to go back and look over research on a distant potential cousin in-law? I doubt that I'd have looked at my research of the Aristippus Brown family again if someone had not emailed me about a 2019 Aristippus Brown post.

IF my James Crawford ancestor is a nephew of the James Crawford married to Rebecca Anderson, then Aristippus Brown's wife, Elizabeth Crawford is my second cousin 5 times removed. (Elizabeth is the granddaughter of James and Rebecca). Since I'm trying to find documents connecting the two James Crawfords, I have done some research of the descendants of James and Rebecca. That includes a little bit of research on Aristippus Brown.

Unfortunately, my re-looking at my research of Aristippus Brown did not uncover any census records or marriage records for his three daughters, Margaret, Miriam and Martha. A newspaper search for Arisitppus Brown turned up three articles, all based on the history of Gentry county, Missouri.

> Albany Ledger
> Albany, Missouri
> 13 Feb 1936
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> page 7
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> Early History of Gentry County
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> For several weeks the Ledger intends to run a department devoted to the early history of Gentry county. The materials is to be taken from the "Illustrated Historical Atlas of Gentry County," published in 1877, and which publication is now almost out of circulation. The copy from which the history is taken belongs to L. H. Williams. The historical account was written by the late Judge G. W. Lewis.
> The material was taken from early records of the county, many of which were destroyed by fire, and are considered authentic. tHis information is reprinted for the benefit of those who otherwise might not have a record of early historical fact, and for the use of teachers in their work with the children.
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> The territory, or portion of country, now included in the counties of DeKalb, Gentry and Worth, prior tot he winter of 1844 and 1845, was unorganized into counties, but was attached to the county of Clinton for civil and military purposes, and so continued until the session of the General Assembly of the State of 1844 and 1845, when the counties of DeKalb and Gentry were organized, still leaving that portion of said territory, which now composes the county of Worth, attached to Gentry county for civil and military purposes, which so remained until the General Assembly by an act approved February 8th, 1861, organized the county of Worth, in pursuance to an amendment to the constitution of the state, authorizing said district of county, approved on the 30th day of January, 1861.
> Gentry county received its name form Col. Richard Gentry, who fell in the battle of Ochechobee, in Florida, and as organized, was bounded by the General Assembly at its session in 1844 and 1845.
> The first settlement made in the county, before it was organized, was in the latter part of the year 1833, or in the spring of 1934, and was north and east of Gentryville, in Miller township, by Isaac Miller, Tobias Miller (from whom the township derived its name) David Henderson, Milton Foster, William Martin, Robert Ready, and a few others. In about the year 1935 or 1936, and thereafter, the country settled u more rapidly. It will be impossible to give the names of all the old pioneers, or settlers of the county in this brief history, but the writer will give names of such as he can call to memory, and can obtain from the old settlers now living; and in doing so, will give them in addition to the names before mentioned, who settled in the county, prior to its organization in the years 1844 and 1845, and in the township of the county as now organized, commencing with Miller township in the southeast part of the county, as follows:
> Caleb Sampson, James C. Patton, Booker Smith, Robert Givauden, Elijah Whitton, Redmond Whitton, Albert G. Whitton, Nathaniel Mothersead, Jacob James, John D. Burton, William Locker, Hugh L. W. Patton, Clayton T. Roberson, Phillip Messimer, Charles Gray, John T. Hunter, **Aristippus Brown**, George Weese, Charles Roberson, Hugh Stevenson, Taylor McCullough, John Potter, John Roberts, Elisha Perkins, Levi Yates, Steven Low, Martin Low, Paschal O. Roberson, Edwin W. Dunegan, Byron Linville, William McNatt, William McKnight, James M. Howell, Charles Pryor, William Newby, Robert Greenwell, Willis Ray, Robert Poteet, John Caup, Joseph Ward, William Ward.

The article references the book, *Illustrated Historical Atlas of Gentry County*. A digital copy of that book is available online in the digital collection of the State Historical Society of Missouri. One other piece of information about A. Brown was found in the atlas: a list of patrons in Township 62, Range 31 West.

TOWN 62. RANGE 31, WEST.

A. Brown	Grand River	11	Mill Proprietor	Rensselaer Co., N. Y.	1873
L. Roy	Gentryville	21	Farmer, and Stock Dealer	Pulaski Co., Ky.	1855
J. H. Whedbee	"	21	" "	Ray Co., Mo	1846
Wm. McCurry	Ettieville	6	" "	Greene Co., Tenn	1839
J. B. Dunn	Gentryville	36	Proprietor of Hotel	Stokes Co., N. C	1859
W. B. Watts	"	36	Attorney-at-Law	Henry Co., Ky	1875
M. D. Smith	"	36	" " and Land Agent	Mercer Co., Tenn	1868
A. C. Miller	"	23	Farmer and Stock Dealer	Gentry Co., Mo	1842
E. Taylor	"	36	Physician and Surgeon	Parke Co., Ind.	1846
J. K. Fore	"	36	Retired Farmer	Fulton Co., Pa	1866
G. W. Hadley	"	31	Farmer and Stock Dealer	Chatauqua Co., N. Y.	1869
A. Redding	Ettieville	8	" "	Wilkes Co., N. C	1851
I. Miller	Gentryville	23	Farmer	Garrard Co., Ky	1834

The last column in the chart represents ‘the year settled in county’. According to the list of patrons, A. Brown, settled in 1873. Since Aristippus Brown is listed among those who settled PRIOR to 1844, the patron may not be the same person. Whether the same person or not, the reference to Rensselaer County, New York is a clue that should help other BROWN researchers.

Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 2, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

S Sgt. Henry J Huninghake

Killed in action in Normandy, France
died of wounds 10 June 1944

Courier tribune
6 Oct 1941
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Three Baileyville Boys to Baltimore

Virgil Broxterman, Raymond Koch and Henry Hunninghake, Baileyville, have been called to employment in the Glenn L. Martin aircraft factory in Baltimore. They are going east with two boys from South Dakota. The five graduated last week from an aircraft school in Omaha and are leaving for Baltimore this week.

Courier Tribune
2 March 1942
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List of 35 About to Go

FROM TWO DAYS-EXAM
Reports Not Yet Received From Ft. Leavenworth On Two Other Groups
The Nemaha county selective service office has received names of 35 men, accepted for military duty from two groups sent to Ft. Leavenworth for examination. These men are now listed “as about to be inducted” into military service:
Lists have not yet been received from two other groups sent later.
Sixteen passed from -the first group; five were rejected; one is conditional. Nineteen passed from the second group, three were rejected.

Those who passed:
Byron Nightingale, Centralia
Samuel Robbins; Centralia
William Kennedy, Oneida
George Geisel, Bern
Garth Smith, Seneca
Albert Rilinger, Baileyville
Lawrence Wessel, Baileyville
Wilbern Oenbring, Baileyville
Henry Hunninghake, Baileyville
Elyer Swart, Seneca
Lawrence Miller, Sabetha
Wilfred Johnson, Seneca
Earl Meyer, Sabetha
John Niehues, Kelly
Elgin Strahm, Sabetha
Leo Cornell, Seneca
Jacob Streit, Seneca
Raymond Battin Wetmore
Benedict Schmidt, Baileyville
Howard Bigalow, Baileyville
Alfred Hammes, Seneca
Carl Staehli, Sabetha

Albert Ketter, Gôt
Andy Lehman, Sabetha
Sylvester Nordhus, Seneca
Charles Mathews, Seneca
Charles Bauer, Centralia
Bernard Heideman, Axtell
LeRoy Ritchir, Centralia
Joy-Meyer, Oneida
Elmer Lindeen, Senrca
Albert Rogers, Seneca
Donald Lehmkuhl, Oneida
Callistus Kramer, Goff
Ross George, Wetmore

Courier Tribune
5 Oct 1942
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News of Men in Service
Sgt. Henry Hunninghake, Camp Barkeley, Texas, is spending a 13-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hunninghake, Baileyville. He was in town Saturday telling friends leaving for duty, “I’ll see you in Tokyo.” He is one of the three sons of August Hunninghake in active service. Joe C. is at Memphis and George at Sheppard. Field. A fourth son, August, Jr., has taken his local physical examination, will report soon.

Courier Tribune
27 May 1948
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Plan Service for Sgt. Huninghake
At Baileyville Next
Thursday Morning, at 9:30
Funeral service for Staff Sergeant Henry J. Huninghake, Baileyville, who gave his life for his country in the Normandy invasion, is planned for 9:30 Thursday morning of next week at Sacred Heart church, Baileyville
Sergeant Huninghake’s father, August Huninghake, had a telegram today notifying him that the body, with military escort, is to arrive at 11:20 Tuesday morning, June 1, by train. The telegram gave the train designation as Seneca, the address of the funeral director, Ray Droge of St. Benedict, but the family may request that the stopping point be Baileyville. Information as to which point is chosen may be available by the time the paper is printed this Saturday; if not, more definite information may be obtained from the funeral director or the family.
Later. It is believed the train designation of Seneca will not be changed.
The Seneca Legion and V.F.W will combine in presenting full military honors for Sgt. Huninghake.

Courier Tribune
31 May 1948
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To Pay Honor to Sgt. Huninghake
Service at Sacred Heart, 9:00 Thursday Morning
Service will be held at 9:00 Thursday morning, June 3, at Sacred Heart church, Baileyville, for Staff Sergeant Henry J. Huninghake, whose body has been returned from Europe to rest in the soil of his home land.
Sgt. Huninghake died June 10, 1944, from fatal wounds received in the Normandy invasion.
His body is to arrive at Seneca by train at approximately 11:2011:20 Tuesday morning, and will then be taken to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Huninghake, a mile east of Baileyville.
There will be a rosary service Tuesday evening at 8:30 and again Wednesday evening at 8:30, at the home.
Seneca Legion and V.F.W. members will accord full military honors in connection with the service Thursday morning.
Last Thursday’s paper gave the hour of the service as 9:30. Attention is called that the hour is 9:00.
In addition to his parents, Sgt. Huninghake is survived by these brothers and sisters: Frank of the home; Herman of Baileyville; Elizabeth, who is Mrs. John Osterhaus, north of Oneida; Anna, Mrs. Albert Osterhaus, northeast of Seneca; George, at home; Joseph C. of St. Benedict; Paul, near Oneida; and August Jr. of the home.

Courier Tribune
7 Jun 1948
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Rites at Sacred Heart for S/Sgt. Henry Huninghake

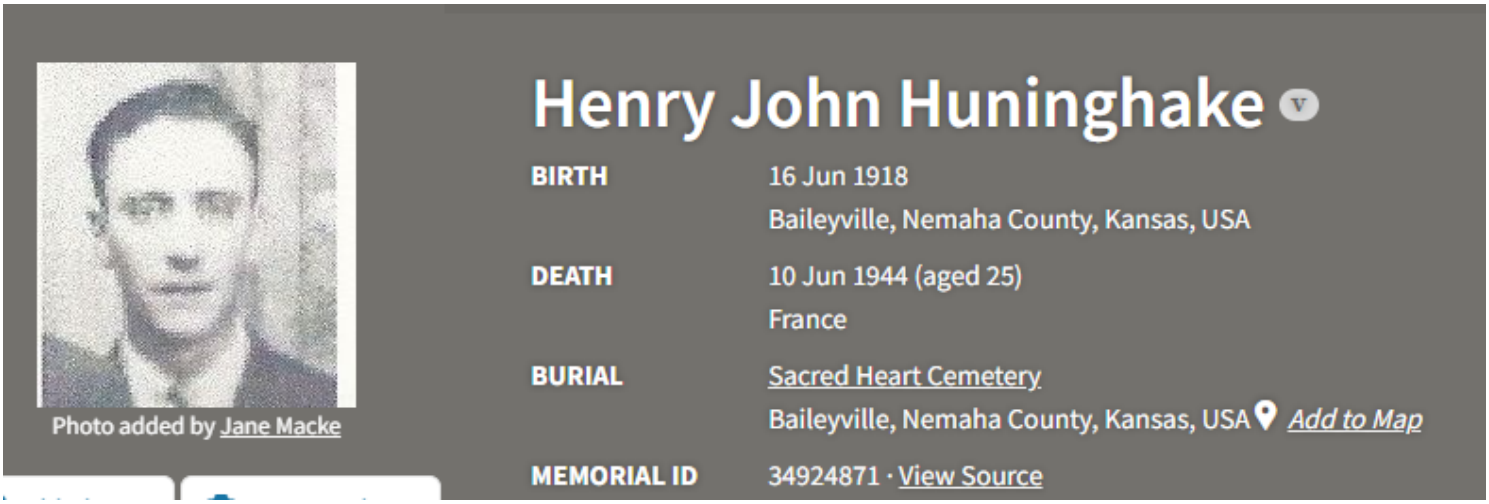
The service for Staff Sergeant Henry J. Huninghake was held Thursday morning at Sacred Heart church, Baileyville, where mass was offered by Rev. H. H. Grosdidier, the pastor. Hundreds of friends of Sgt. Huninghake and of the family were present, and there was a long procession of cars from the home to church. Burial was at Sacred Heart cemetery. Full military honors were accorded by veterans, led by Seneca-Legion and V.F.W. Posts, who conducted the military ceremony with precision.

The active pallbearers were Cyril Olberding, Albert Wessel, Leo F. Macke, Elmer Heiman, Elmer Olberding, Regis Koch, Alvin Koch and Peter Buessing. The honorary pallbearers were Conrad Feldkamp, Victor Boeding, Lester Carroll, Joe Deters, Francis Goekel, Cletus Bergman, Leonard Krogman and Vincent Kohake.

Sergeant Huninghake's death is another example of the sacrifice that boys of Nemaha county made that the American way of life might endure. Veterans of the wars, who know what their comrades have been through and the honor due them, have been pleased how well the county is showing its respect.

Staff Sergeant Huninghake gave his life as a part of the price of the Normandy invasion, dying June 10,1944 from wounds. The son of Mr. and Mrs. August Huninghake of Baileyville, he was born June 16, 1918, enlisted in the army March 29, 1942.

Among relatives who came from a distance for the service Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Macke of Yakima, Wash.



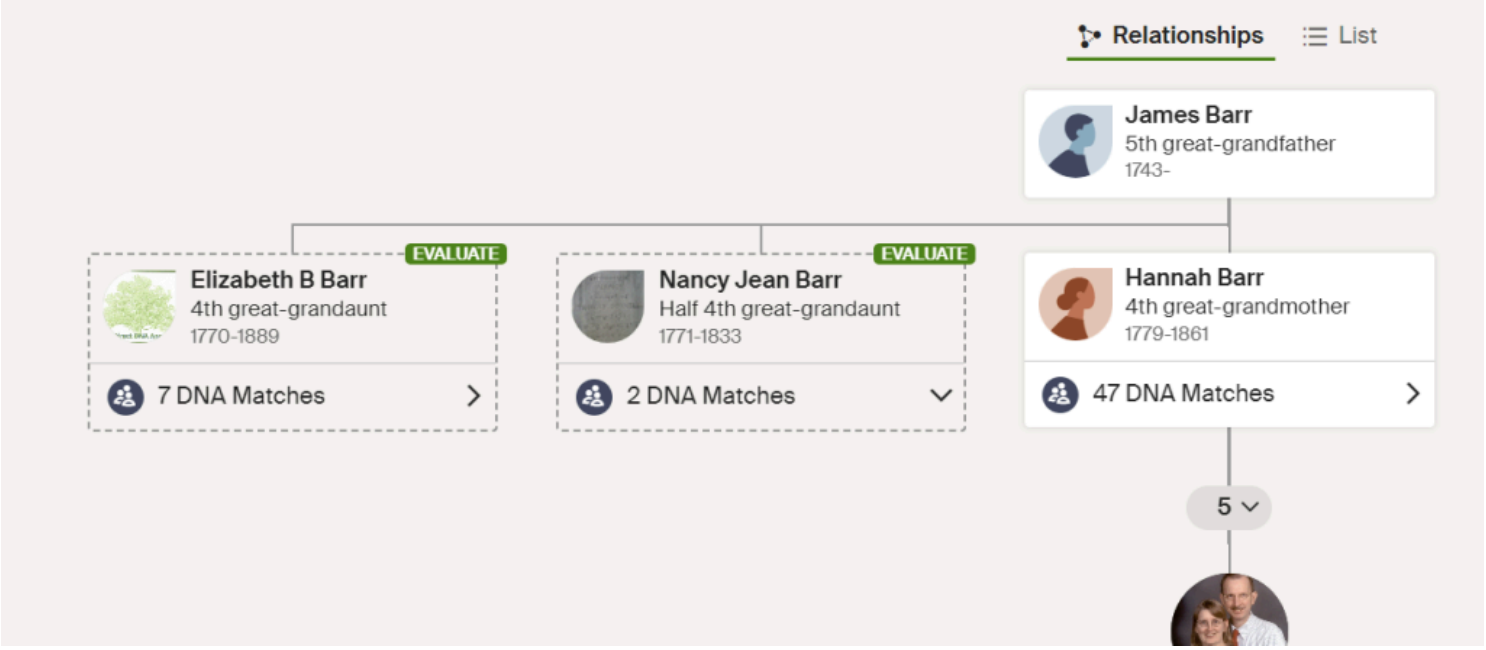
Another Son

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 3, 2024
Barr,Indiana

Do you have any 'same name' struggles in your family tree? If your tree is like mine, you may have several. During 2023, I researched my 4th great grandfather, David Franklin Ralston. In the process, I uncovered a deed that suggests David's wife, Hannah Barr had a sister named Elizabeth. One of those deeds is between David Ralston and James Barr. The other deed is between James Barr and James Steele.

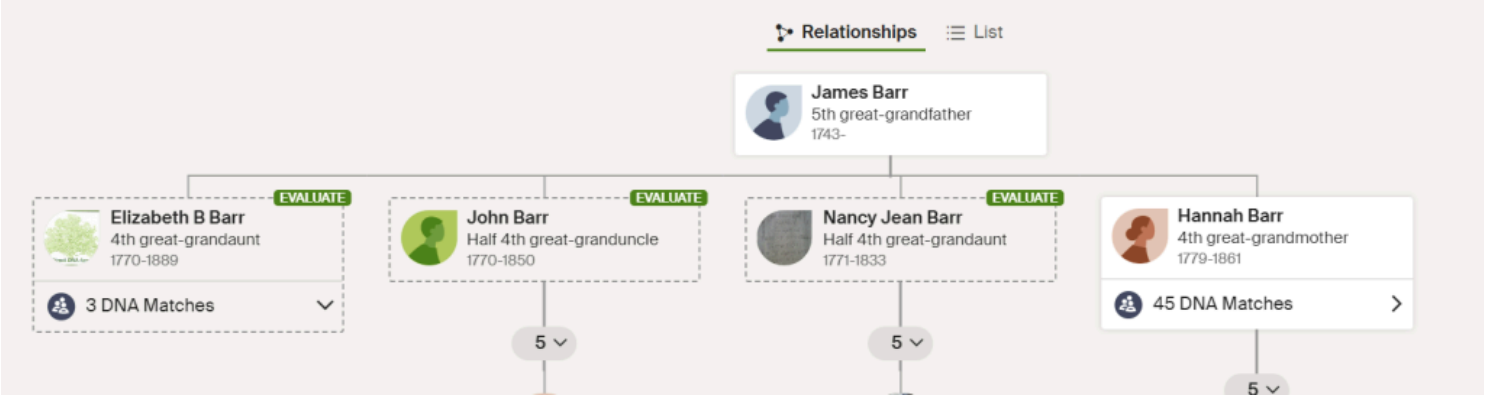
Since there are two men named James Barr in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania prior to 1820, it is difficult to separate these two men. A Ralston cousin contacted me to see whether I had any other information connecting Elizabeth Steel to James Barr. Unfortunately, I had to tell him that I've just barely started researching James Barr and thus I don't know much more about James Barr.

Thus, more research of James Barr is needed! When you don't know much about a family, a starting point is needed. For my research of James Barr, I used two starting points. First, we looked at Ancestry's DNA ThruLines to see if our Ancestry DNA ThruLines showed Elizabeth as a sibling of Hannah Barr Ralston. And we not only found Elizabeth but other potential siblings.

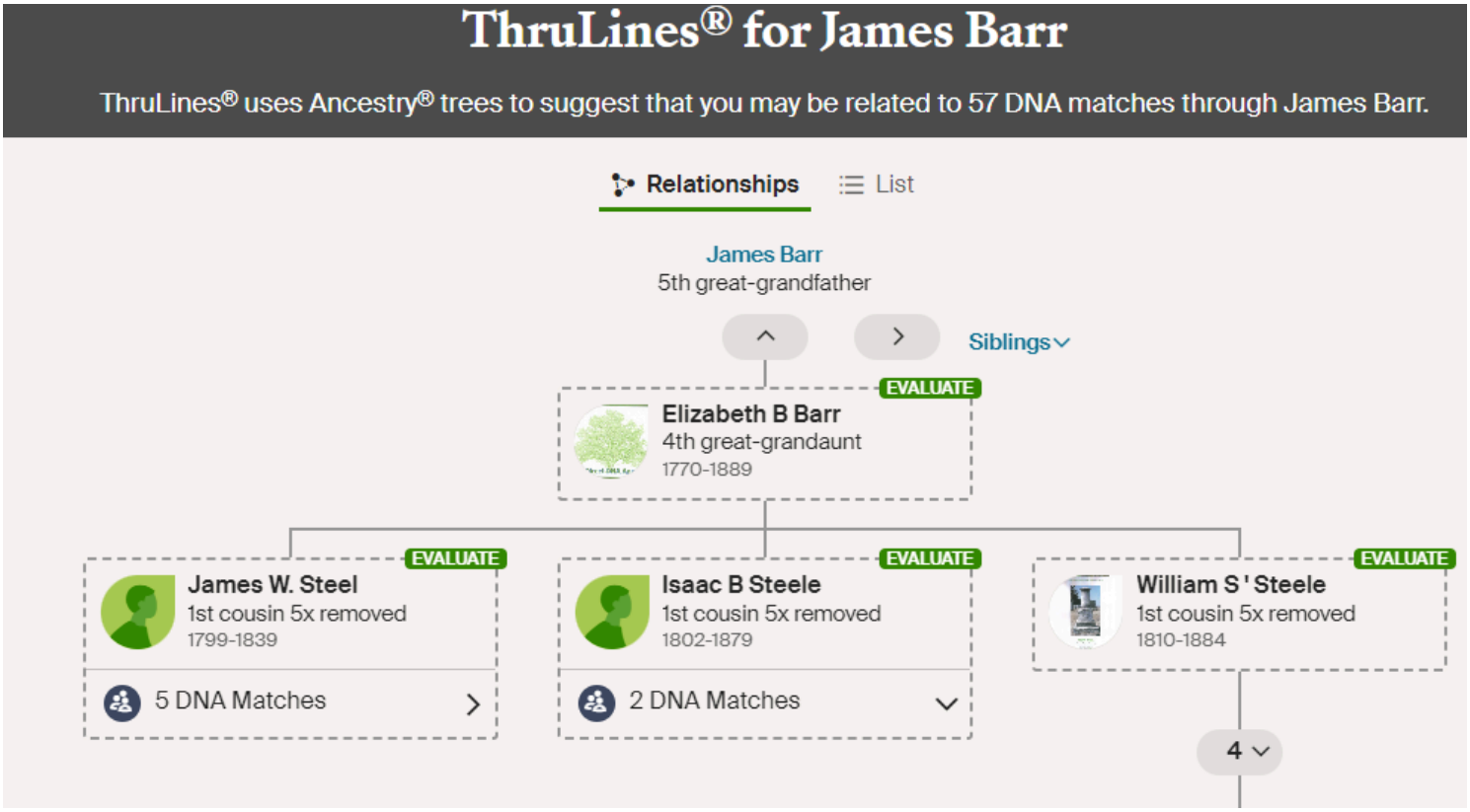


My ThruLines for James Barr

Not only does ThruLines suggest Elizabeth and Nancy as children of James Barr but my brother's ThruLines also finds a son named John.



When I tried to find Elizabeth Barr [G9KR-LS4] and James Steele [G9KT-M3F] on the FamilySearch tree, it did not show any children. Thus, I turned back to ThruLines to identify potential children of Elizabeth Barr.



So I started trying to document the family of James Steel and his wife, Sarah Reeves. So far, I've only researched descendants of one of their 10 children: Margaret Steel.

Margaret Steel married WIlliam Lair Garriott in 1842 in Hancock county, Indiana. It was fairly easy to research their descendants. However, what I was finding for the family of their son, Henry Clay Garriott did not match the family structure shown on the FamilySearch tree. John Wesley Garriott was missing from the family of Henry Clay Garriott and Eliza Anna Newman.

Since John Wesley Garriott was born about 1882 and married before 1900, there isn't a census record placing him with his parents. This lack of census records might explain why John Wesley Garriott was not connected to his parents. However, there is a wealth of resources linking John Garriott either to his parents or to his sibings.

First, the 1922 obituary of Henry Clay Garriott identifies his living sons.

> Mr. Garriott on December 15, 1864, married Miss Eliza A. Newman, of West Virginia, who with nine sons survives him. One son, Walter, was killed accidentally in Wilkinson, August 7, 1882. The sons living are William I., Oliver N. Garriott, of this city; Charles O., Knightstown; Allen, of Indianapolis; Koric and John Wi., of Wilkinson; Homer C., of Kennard; Herbert L. of Columbus, Ohio; and Frank E. Garriott of Muncie
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> *"Veteran of War Passes Away," The Daily Reporter (Greenfield, Indiana), 10 April 1922, page 1; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 26 February 2024).*

Then, in 1932, the obituary for Charles Garriott identifies living brothers.

> Mr. Garriott was one of the originally nine brothers, seven of whom are still living, William I., of Greenfield; Oliver M. of Anderson; Henry A. of Indianapolis; Homer C. of Kennard; Kora C and John W. of Wilkinson and Herbert L., of Michigan.
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> *"Death Thursday Chas. Garriott," Greenfield Republican (Greenfield, Indiana), 14 January 1932, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 29 February 2024).*

In 1941, another son of Henry Clay Garriott passed away. Again, his obituary identifies John W. Garriott as a brother.

> In 1886 he was united in marriage to Fannie B. Armstrong, who survives him after almost fifty-five years of marital loyalty and happiness. to this marriage, two children were born, Mrs. Ethel New and Lawrence E.

> Garriott, both of this city and both of whom also survive. The son has been a member of the insurance office partnership of W. I. Garriott & Son for twenty years or more. In addition, there is one grandson Carl G. New, a student at DePauw University and six brothers: Henry A Garriott, of Charlottesville; Korac C. Garriott and John W. Garriott of Wilkinson; Homer C. Garriott, of Kennard; Oliver Garriott, of Anderson, and Herbert Garriott, of Columbus, Ohio.
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> *"Will Garriott Succumbs at 75," Greenfield Republican (Greenfield, Indiana), 1 May 1941, page 8; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 29 February 2024).*

Not only do these obituaries tie John Wesley Garriott to the family of Henry Clay Garriott, but records created at the death of John Wesley Garriott also identify Henry Clay Garriott as his father. First, his obituary idenfies his parents.

> Mr. Garriott was born in Warrington, the son of Henry and Eliza Newman Garriott.
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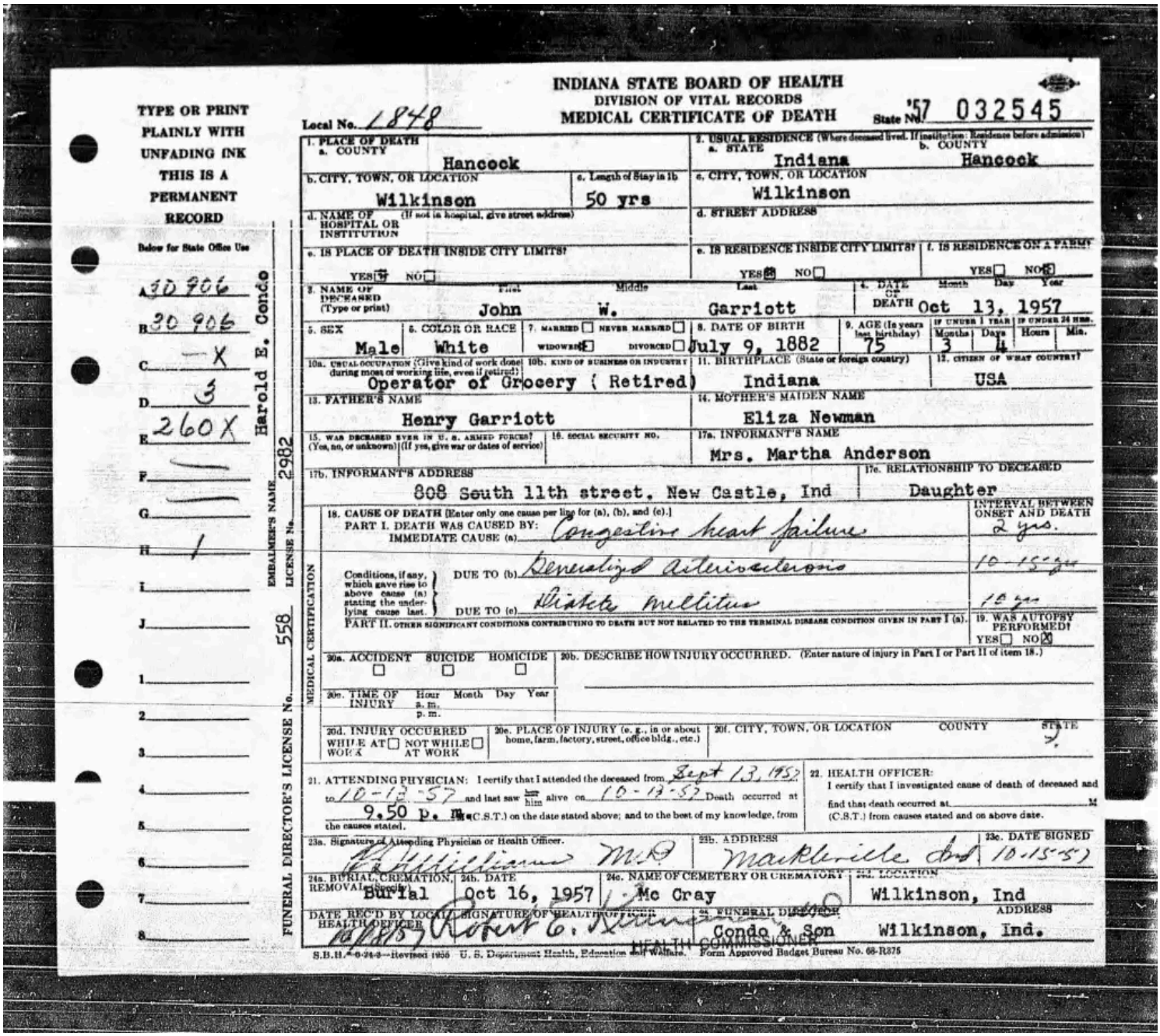
> *"John W. Garriott Dies at Wilkinson," The Hancock Democrat (Greenfield, Indiana), 17 October 1957, page 4; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 29 February 2024).*

Then the Indiana death certificate for John Wesley Garriott also identifies his parents.



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

TYPE OR PRINT PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

Local No. 1848 State No. '57 032545

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY: Hancock
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION: Wilkinson
c. Length of Stay in 1b: 50 yrs
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (If not in hospital, give street address)
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES [X] NO [ ]

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)
a. STATE: Indiana
b. COUNTY: Hancock
c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION: Wilkinson
d. STREET ADDRESS
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES [X] NO [ ]
f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES [ ] NO [X]

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print): First John Middle W. Last Garriott
4. DATE OF DEATH: Month Oct Day 13 Year 1957
5. SEX: Male
6. COLOR OR RACE: White
7. MARRIED [ ] NEVER MARRIED [ ] WIDOWED [ ] DIVORCED [ ]
8. DATE OF BIRTH: July 9, 1882
9. AGE (In years last birthday): 75
If UNDER 1 YEAR: Months 3 Days 4 Hours Min.
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired): Operator of Grocery (Retired)
10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country): Indiana
12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA
13. FATHER'S NAME: Henry Garriott
14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: Eliza Newman
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service)
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.
17a. INFORMANT'S NAME: Mrs. Martha Anderson
17b. INFORMANT'S ADDRESS: 808 South 11th street, New Castle, Ind
17c. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED: Daughter

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a): Congestive heart failure — INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH: 2 yrs.
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a) stating the underlying cause last.
DUE TO (b): Generalized Arteriosclerosis — 10-15-yrs
DUE TO (c): Diabetes mellitus — 10 yrs
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a).
19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES [ ] NO [X]

20a. ACCIDENT [ ] SUICIDE [ ] HOMICIDE [ ]
20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)
20c. TIME OF INJURY: Hour a. m. p. m. Month Day Year
20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK [ ] NOT WHILE AT WORK [ ]
20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)
20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION COUNTY STATE

21. ATTENDING PHYSICIAN: I certify that I attended the deceased from Sept 13, 1952 to 10-13-57 and last saw him alive on 10-13-57 Death occurred at 9.50 p. m. (C.S.T.) on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.
22. HEALTH OFFICER: I certify that I investigated cause of death of deceased and find that death occurred at ____ M (C.S.T.) from causes stated and on above date.
23a. Signature of Attending Physician or Health Officer: [illegible] M.D.
23b. ADDRESS: Markleville, Ind
23c. DATE SIGNED: 10-15-57

24a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify): Burial
24b. DATE: Oct 16, 1957
24c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY: Mc Cray
24d. LOCATION: Wilkinson, Ind
DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR: 10/18/57
SIGNATURE OF HEALTH OFFICER: Robert C. Nixon HEALTH COMMISSIONER
25. FUNERAL DIRECTOR: Condo & Son
ADDRESS: Wilkinson, Ind.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S LICENSE No. 2982 Harold E. Condo
EMBALMER'S NAME LICENSE No.
MEDICAL CERTIFICATION
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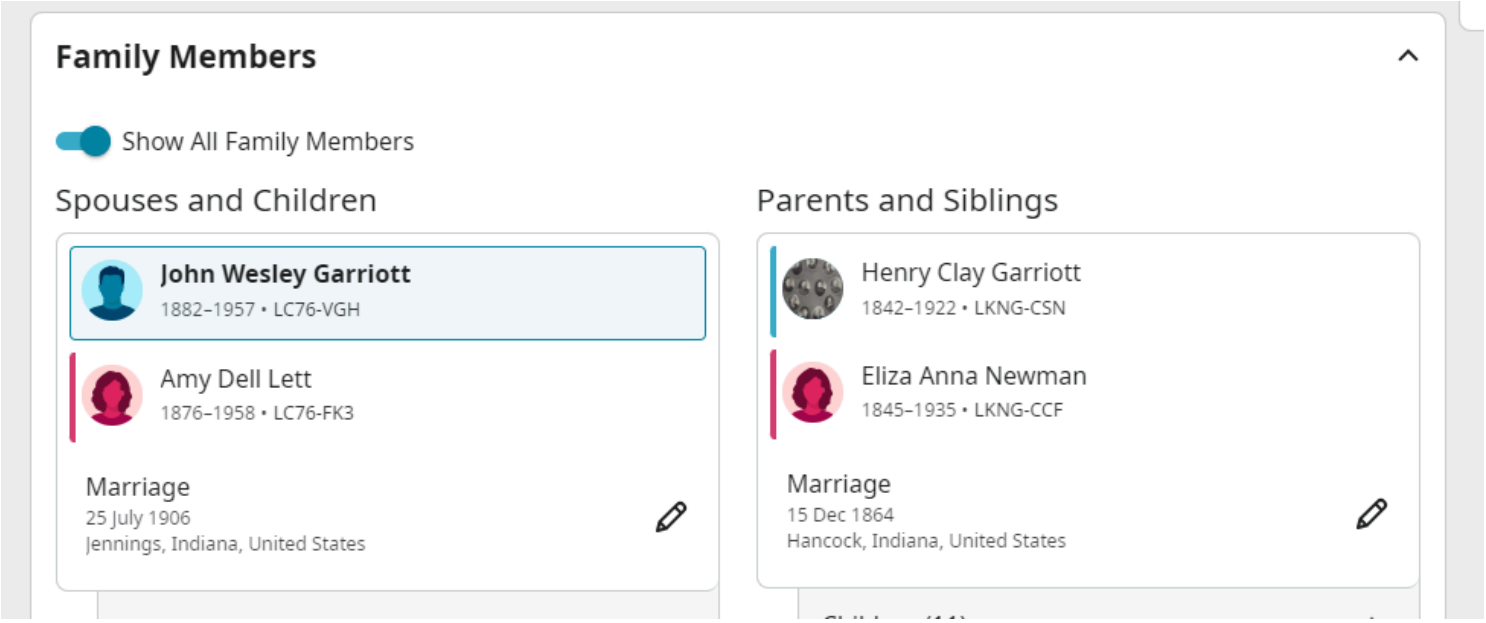
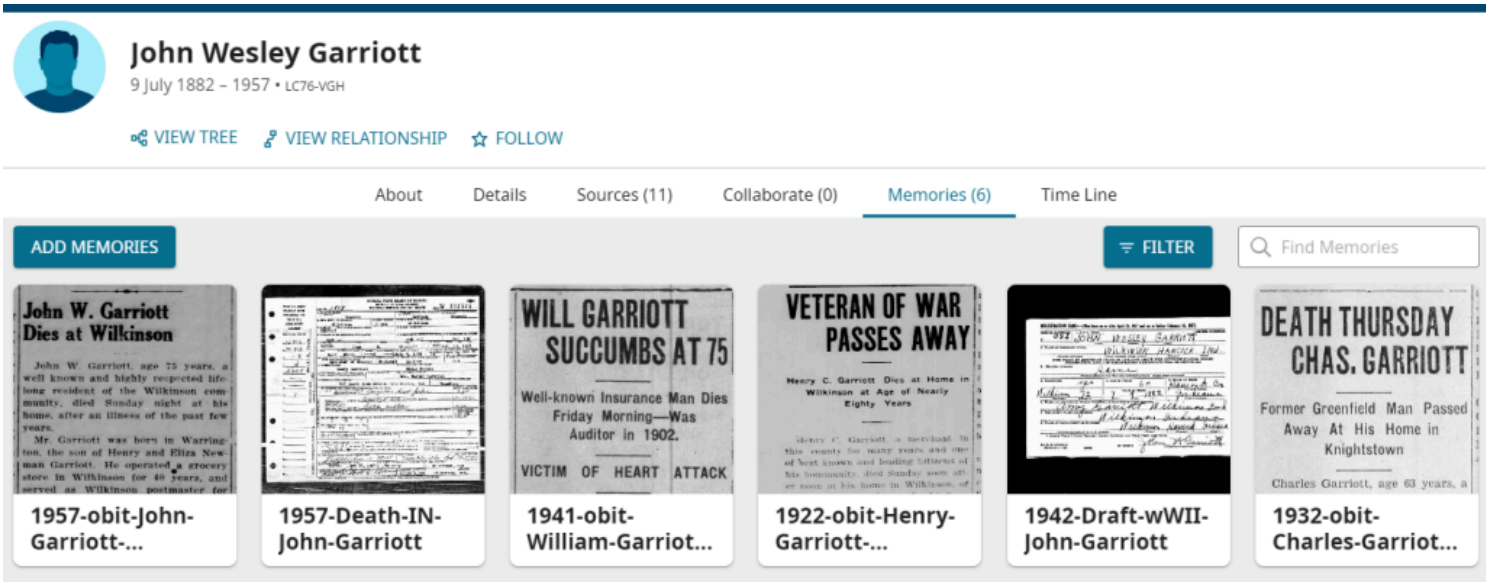
Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2017, John W Carriott, 13 October 1957; database with images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 29 February 2024).

Since all of these sources connect John W. Garriott to his father Henry C. Garriott or to his brothers, I added Henry Clay Garriott and Eliza Anna Newman as parents of John Wesley Garriott on the FamilySearch tree.



Since I want other researchers to understand the research process that led to my connecting John Wesley Garriott to Henry Clay Garriott, I uploaded images of these various sources to John Wesley Garriott's memories.



Using these uploaded 'memories' I was able to add the associated sources.

Hopefully these sources and the attached images will help other researchers understand why John Wesley Garriott was attached to the family of Henry C. Garriott.

John Wesley Garriott

John Wesley Garriott [1] was born on 9 Jul 1882 in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [2–7] He lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1900. [8] He lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1910. [9] John was the father of Marjorie Eliza Garriott who was born on 20 Sep 1915 in Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5,10–11] He registered for the military draft in 1918 in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [12] He lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1920. [13] John lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1922. [2] He lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1930. [14–15] He lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1932. [16] John lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1940. [17] He lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1941. [18] He registered for the military draft in 1942 in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [1] John lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1950. [19] He died on 13 Oct 1957 at the age of 75 in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5–7] He was buried on 16 Oct 1957 at McCray Cemetery in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5,7,20]

John Wesley Garriott and Mabel E. Gibbs were married on 13 Dec 1899 in Indiana, United States. [21–24] Mabel E. Gibbs was born in 1882. [25] She lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1900. [8] She died in 1902 at the age of 20 in Indiana, United States. [25] Mabel was buried in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [25]

John Wesley Garriott and Amy Dell Lett were married on 23 Jul 1906 in Indiana, United States. [3–4,26] Amy Dell Lett was born on 14 Sep 1876 in Jennings County, Indiana. [5] She lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1910. [9] She was the mother of Marjorie Eliza Garriott who was born on 20 Sep 1915 in Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5,10–11] Amy lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1920. [13] She lived in Wilkinson, Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1930. [15] She lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1940. [17] Amy lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1950. [19] She died in 1958 at the age of 82. [5] She was buried on 9 Sep 1958 in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5,20] John Wesley Garriott and Amy Dell Lett had the following children:

11. Martha Elizabeth Garriott [5] was born in 1909 in Indiana. [5] She lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1910. [9] She lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1920. [13] Martha lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1930. [15] She lived in New Castle, Henry, Indiana, United States in 1957. [6] She lived in New Castle, Henry, Indiana, United States in 1958. [20] Martha died on 13 May 1997 at the age of 88 in Tipton, Tipton, Indiana, United States. [5] She was buried in 1997 in New Castle, Henry, Indiana, United States.

Dennis Anderson was born in 1909 in Indiana. He died in 1964 at the age of 55 in Indiana.

12. Marjorie Eliza Garriott [5,10] was born on 20 Sep 1915 in Hancock, Indiana, United States. [5,10–11] She lived in Brown Township, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1920. [13] She lived in Wilkinson, Hancock, Indiana, United States in 1930. [15] Marjorie lived in Cranbury, Middlesex, New Jersey, United States in 1957. [6] She lived in Cranbury, Middlesex, New Jersey, United States in 1958. [20] She died on 9 Mar 1998 at the age of 82. [5,11]

Max Casey was born in 1913 in Indiana. He died.

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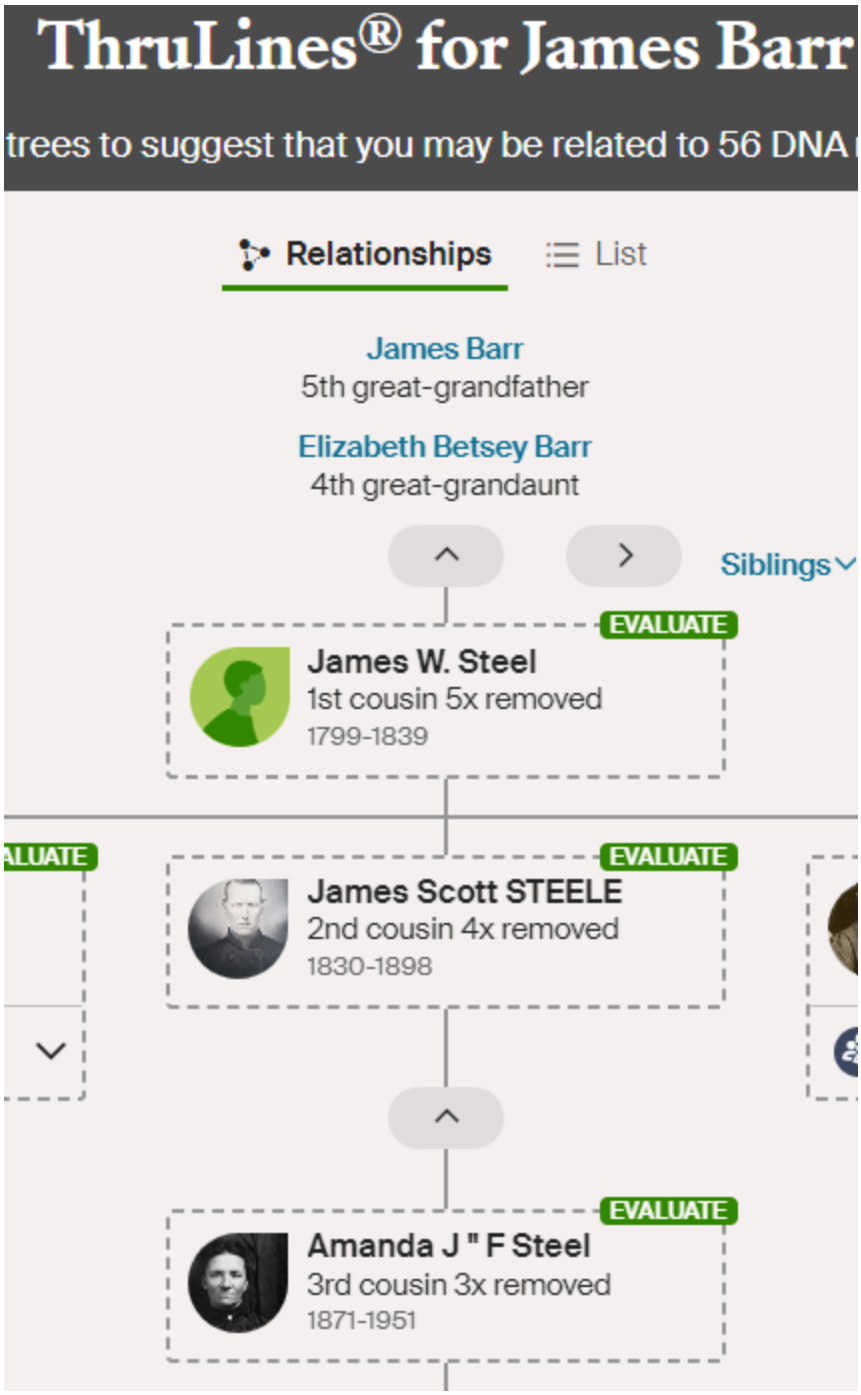
False Lead

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 4, 2024
Barr

Do you try and build out trees for DNA matches? I know that Your DNA Guide, Diahan Southard talks about creating 'quick and dirty' trees. While I understand the concept behind a 'quick and dirty' tree, my process is not as quick and hopefully only partially 'dirty.'

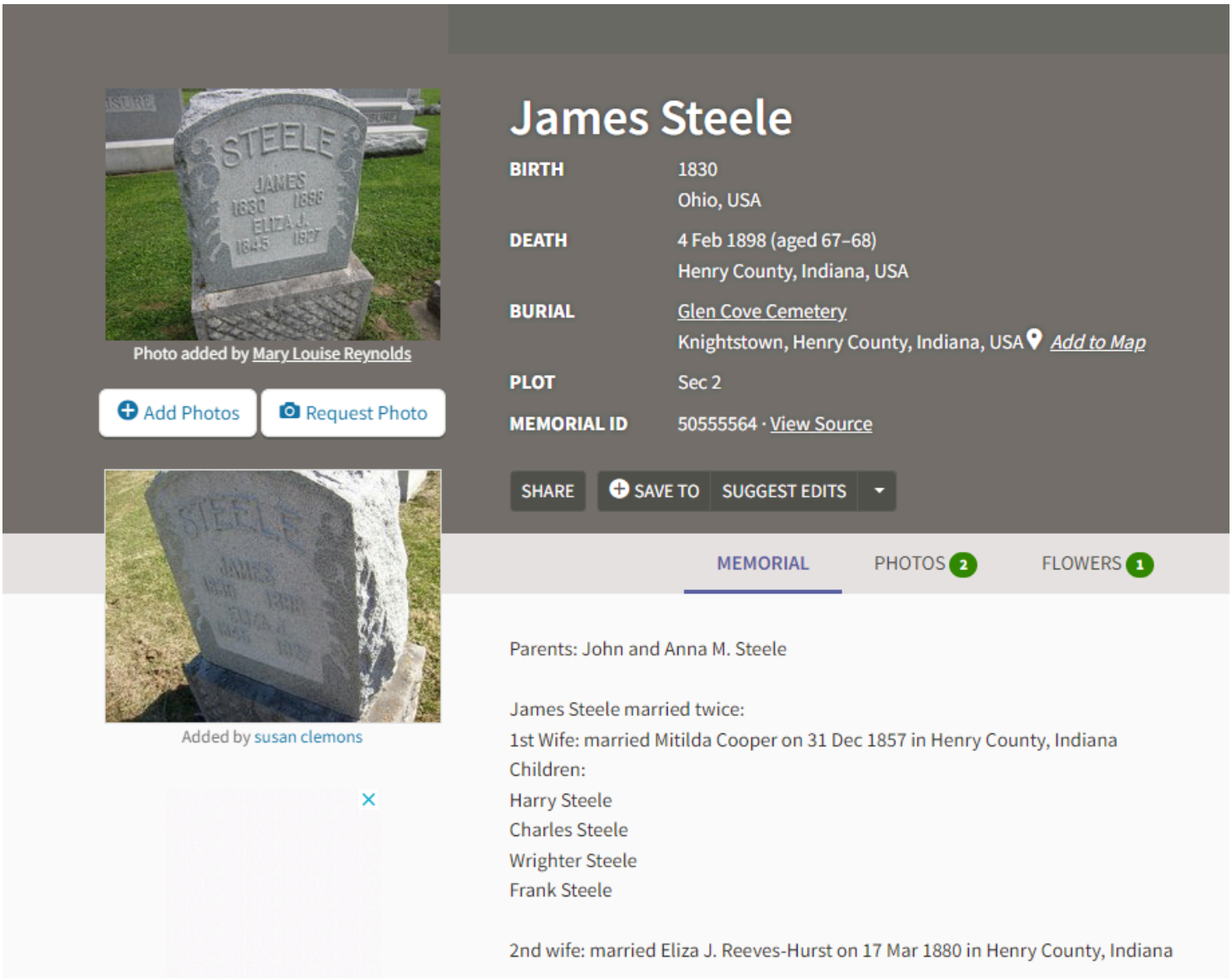
I'm currently working on potential matches on ThruLines for my ancestor, James Barr. Records are suggesting that he had at least two daughters: my ancestor Hannah Barr along with Elizabeth Barr. Thus, I'm trying to build out my tree to hopefully find more support for Elizabeth Barr Steele being the daughter of James Barr.



For the 'quick' part of my process, I use the ability of RootsMagic to import people from the FamilySearch tree. Since the FamilySearch tree is a collaborative tree, I'm hoping that it is fairly correct. After importing the family into my RootsMagic file, I

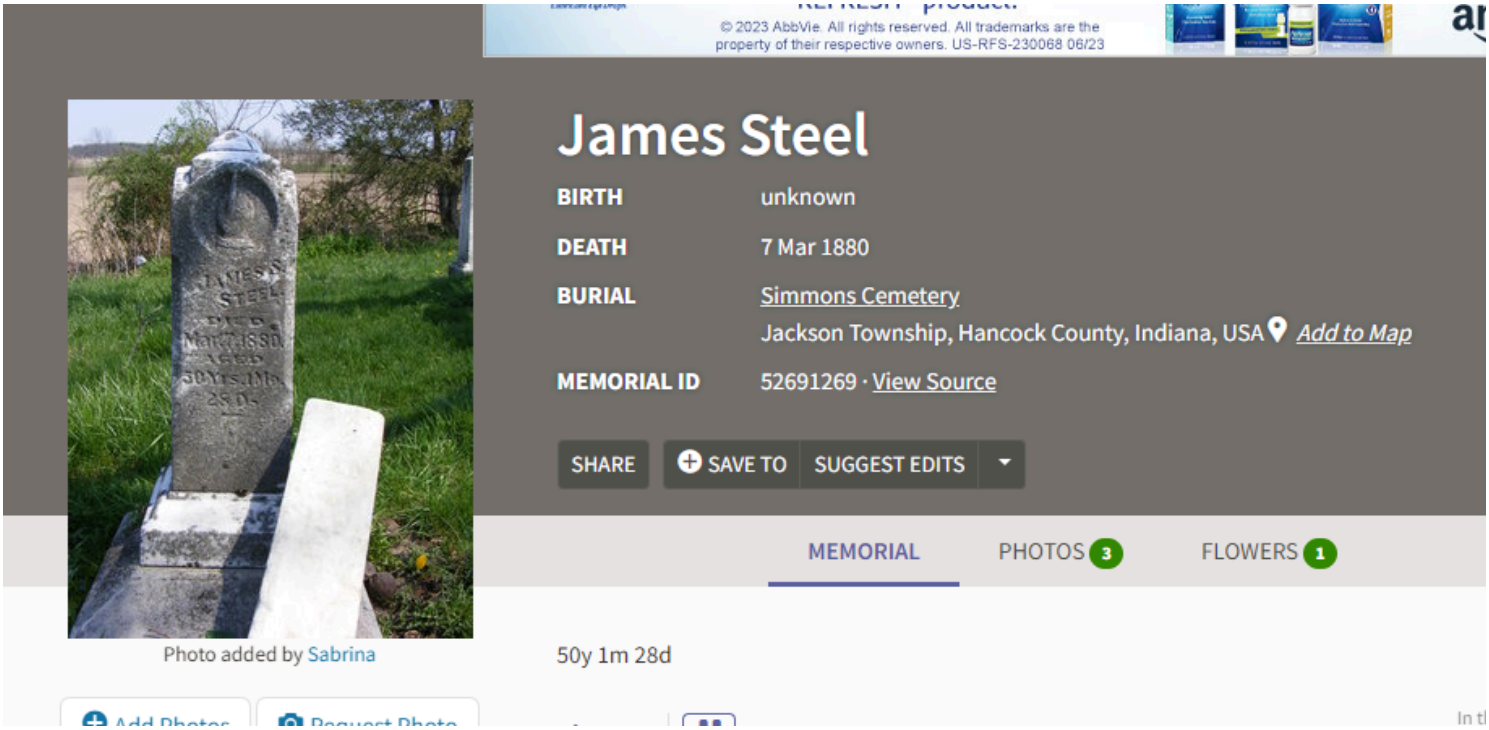
then use RootsMagic to add this new family to my Ancestry tree. Once on Ancestry, I can take advantage of Ancestry's leafy tree hints. Using these hints, I add events and sources to my RootsMagic file and save those souces to my Ancestry tree. This is the 'not so quick' part of my process. Since I'm adding sources, it also isn't a 'dirty' tree. However, I'm not doing an exhaustive search of sources. This lack of an exhaustive search is why I consider it 'partially dirty.'

For the most part, this process works and I can either verify the tree suggested by ThruLines or prove it incorrect. However, while researching the family of James Scott Steele some of his hints were for a family that did not match what I had from FamilySearch. I started working with the hint for the Find a Grave record and since the birthdates agreed I was about to add the memorial as a source in RootsMagic. As I continued to analyze all of the information in the Find a Grave record, I realized that the death date did not match, nor did the family structure agree with what I had.



Find A Grave hint suggested by Ancestry – https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/50555564/james-steele

This raised a red flag along with the question as to whether the FamilySearch tree was incorrect. A search of the sources attached to James Scott Steele on FamilySearch revealed a different Find a Grave record. While this second Find a Grave record did not link to any family members, the death date agrees with the date I downloaded from the FamilySearch tree.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James Steel
BIRTH unknown
DEATH 7 Mar 1880
BURIAL Simmons Cemetery
Jackson Township, Hancock County, Indiana, USA Add to Map
MEMORIAL ID 52691269 · View Source
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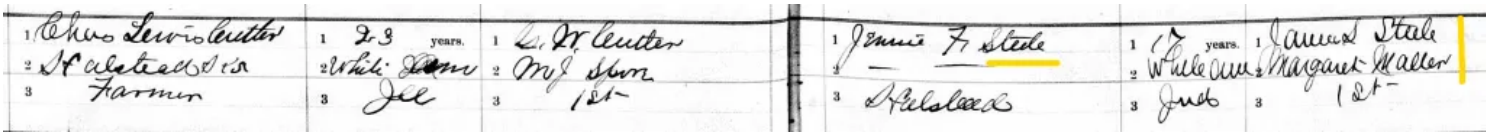
Find a Grave sourced on FamilySearch profile LC88-214 – https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/52691269/james-steel

Now I have two different men named James Steel and need to figure out which one is the son of James and Sarah Jane (Reeves) Steele. Thankfully, another hint was helpful in figuring out whether the FS tree was faulty. This clue was for a Kansas marriage record of the daughter, Jennie Steele. This 1888 record not only identified her parents as James Steele and Margaret Maller but also suggested a move to Kansas from Indiana.



Since the FS tree indicated that James' wife, Lydia Margaret Waller died in Kansas in 1919, I decided to take advantage of the Kansas newspapers to see what I could find. That search on Newspapers.com found three articles that provide details about the life of Lydia Margaret Waller and her husbands, James Scott Steele and Daniel William Thompson.

DEATH CLAIMS A GOOD WOMAN

Mrs. D. W. Thompson Passes Away After an illness of Several Years.

Mrs. Daniel W. Thompson, who had been a resident of Halstead for thirty-four years answered the final summons at the Halstead Hospital Friday morning. She had been taken there but a few days previous in hopes that medical and surgical skill might prolong her life, but her ailment had became beyond human aid and she quietly passed into the great beyond.

Lydia M. Waller was born in Fayette county, Ill, March 10,1845, and was married to James S. Steele on July 25, 1865. To this union seven children were born, five of whom are still living, Benton Steele of Larned, Kans., Jennie F. Cutter of Watonga, Okla., John M. Steele, Ara H. Steele and Mattie Bell Viersen of Halstead, Kans. She came to Kansas in 1885 after having been left a widow in the year 1880 . She was married to D. W. Thompson Dec. 21, 1893.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the late home and was largely attended by those who had known of the excellent traits of character and pureness of heart of this good woman. One of the striking features of the funeral was the service as pallbearers by six step-sons who had known to love and respect her as they would have their own mother.

Rev. R. A. Adamson of LeRoy, who was her pastor here many years ago when the Christian Church organization in this city was in a flourishing condition, was here to conduct the service. Interment was made in the City Cemetery. We are promised a more extended obituary for our next issue.

"Death Claims a Good Woman," Halstead Independent (Halstead, Kansas), 18 September 1919, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 6 March 2024).

HALSTEAD AND VICINITY

Mrs. Daniel W. Thompson died at
the hospital Friday morning Sept. 12, 1919 Lydia Waller was born in Ill. March 10, 1845 and was married to James Steele July 25, 1865. To this union seven children were born, five are still living, who are Benton Steele, of Larned, Kansas, Jennie Cutter of Okla. John, and Ara Steele and Mrs. Claude Viersen of Halstead, Ks. She was left a widow in 1880 and in 1893 was married to D. W. Thompson.
Her six stepsons who have known to love and respect her as a mother were pallbearers who were, W. D., Elmer, James, George, Clarence, and John Thompson. Their brother Andrew Thompson of Liberal could not be present.
The funeral was conducted by Rev. R. A. Adamson of LeRoy pastor of Christian church. Interment was made in the City cemetery.

"Halstead and Vicinity," The Newton Journal (Newton, Kansas), 6 September 1919, page 6; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 6 March 2024).

A TRIBUTE
TO MOTHER

Brief Review of the Good Works Done By the Late Mrs. D. W. Thompson.

On the banks of the beautiful Kaskaskia river which winds its way through the rugged, tree-clad hills of southern Illinois, back in the early spring of 1884, Lydia M. Waller was ushered into a life cruelly beset with sorrow and tribulation. Left in early infancy without a mother's loving care; tossed about among strangers, she faced the inevitable tragedies so common among the struggling pioneers of early days. Denied the advantages of school, she learned only by toil and experience. However, through the mysterious workings of providence, a foundation for upright character was laid and upon attaining the age of accountability, joined the Christian Church to which organization she remained steadfastly loyal the remainder of her life, though never too selfish, or narrow, to attend and affiliate with other denominations.

Mother Thompson's life was ever in tuneful harmony with nature and nature's God. She often remarked to the writer that her sincere belief in immortality was founded upon the manifestations of God, through natural laws. Mother was a born philosopher and to every phase of life applied the principle of philosophic reasoning which must account for that perfect praise and dignity which characterized her long and useful life.

July 25,1865 she was united in marriage with James S Steele. The happy young pair left immediately for the little inland village of Warrington, Ind., where brushy swamps and wooded knolls spread many, many miles in every direction. In a little round-log cabin on the banks of Riley's famous Brandywine, the hopeful young couple started life. Children soon came to fulfil the instinct of parental desire, seven in number, five boys and two girls, coming in the following order: Benton, Henry S., Amanda Jane, John M., Ara H. and Perry T., twins, and Mattie Bell. Henry S. was called away at the age of six years, Perry T. survived for only a few weeks. In the meantime, disease had overtaken Father Steele which left an unusually heavy burden upon Mother, as the children were small and no visible means of support except hard manual labor in the green woods, the little home being several miles from the town of Warrington and nothing but a winding road of corduroy through the swamps to civilization. Death relieved Father of his suffering on March 7, 1880, leaving Mother and the young children to face the great tragedy practically alone. With what little assistance an invalid father could render, our means of a living had been a rented farm, which occupation was continued for a time under great difficulties as the writer was not yet thirteen years of age when deprived of a father's council and help. In the summer of 1885 the little farming outfit was disposed of and Mother and the four younger children came to Kansas to help make a home for William Waller, Mother's elder brother, who had been left a widower only a short time before. This arrangement continued for a short time when Mother bought a modest home in Halstead and removed thereto. On Dec. 21, 1893, Mother and Daniel W. Thompson were married, after she had lived as a widow for thirteen years,

Fifteen children now having been joined together, presented new and strange difficulties, but through the tact and natural diplomacy of the mother, aided by an impartial and devoted father, the joint family lived in peace and beautiful harmony to the satisfaction and everlasting glory of our sainted mother.

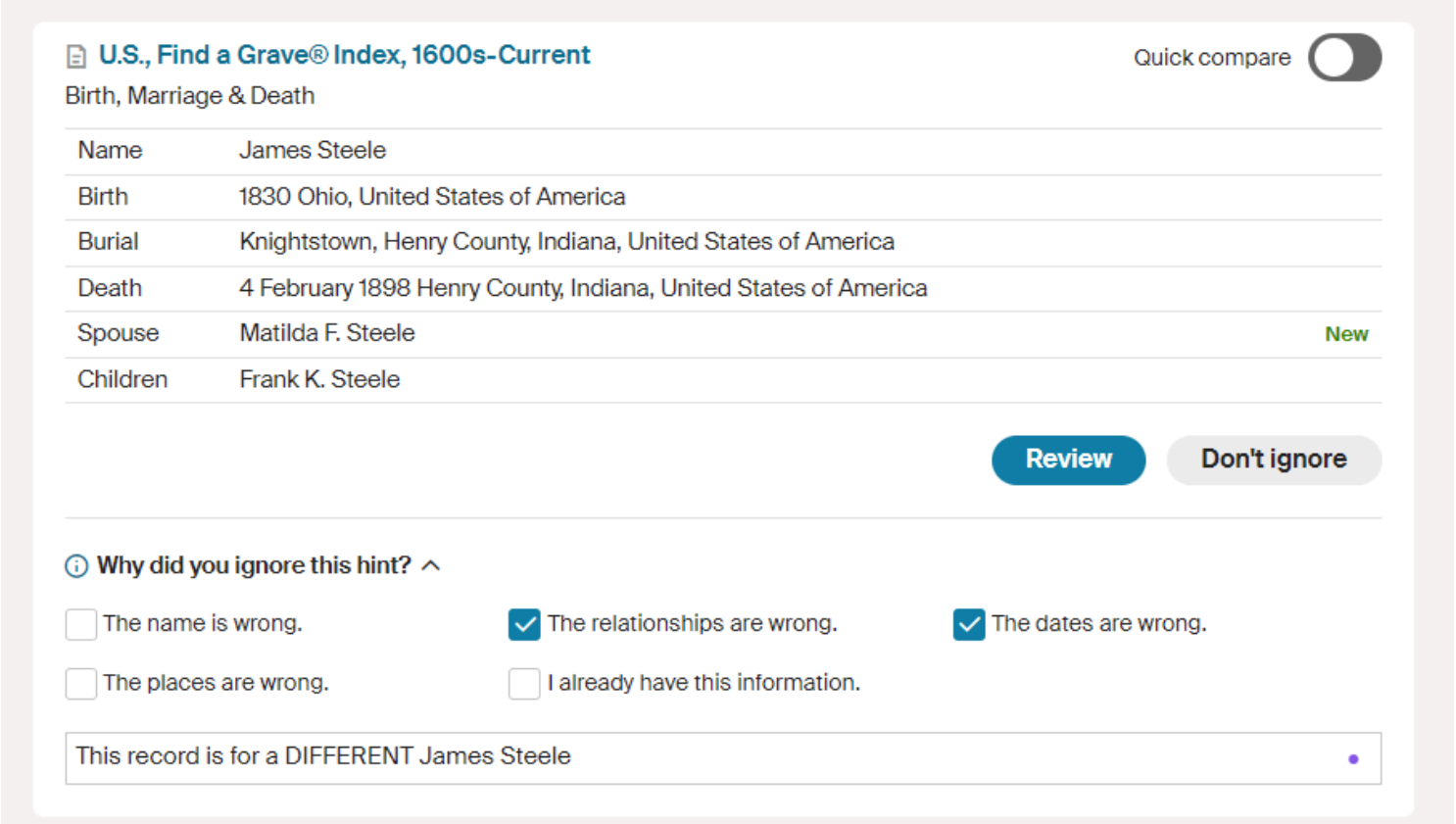
Many months previous to Mother's passing away, she had carefully made arrangements for the disposition of her large collection of precious mementoes, thoughtfully considering each child in an impartial manner with some precious keep sake.

Mother will be sadly missed but more especially at the holiday season, as it had been her custom for years to give presents and tokens of love to each of her children and grand-children. Mother Thompson, as she was

> familiarly spoken of, left tangible evidences of devotion in almost every family of her extensive acquaintance.
>
> Mother has gone, but her dear memory will ever abide. Her precept and example is our heritage. The reality of God's creative and providential genius has another unimpeachable witness for we cannot doubt the truth of immortality, or scoff at the Christian's hope. In Mother's temporary absence we can but say: Peace to her dust and repose for her soul.
> -BENTON.
>
> *"A Tribute to Mother," Halstead Independent (Halstead, Kansas), 25 September 1919, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 6 March 2024).*

Thanks to these three articles, I have verification that the Find A Grave record for the James Steele who died in 1880 is the correct record for this family.

In hopes of preventing the incorrect Find a Grave hint from being suggested to others, I located the ignored hint and answered the question, Why did you ignore this hint?


U.S., Find a Grave® Index, 1600s-Current
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Birth, Marriage & Death
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Birth 1830 Ohio, United States of America
Burial Knightstown, Henry County, Indiana, United States of America
Death 4 February 1898 Henry County, Indiana, United States of America
Spouse Matilda F. Steele New
Children Frank K. Steele
Review
Don't ignore
Why did you ignore this hint?
The name is wrong.
The relationships are wrong.
The dates are wrong.
The places are wrong.
I already have this information.
This record is for a DIFFERENT James Steele

I will also upload these three sources to both Ancestry and FamilySearch to share with others.

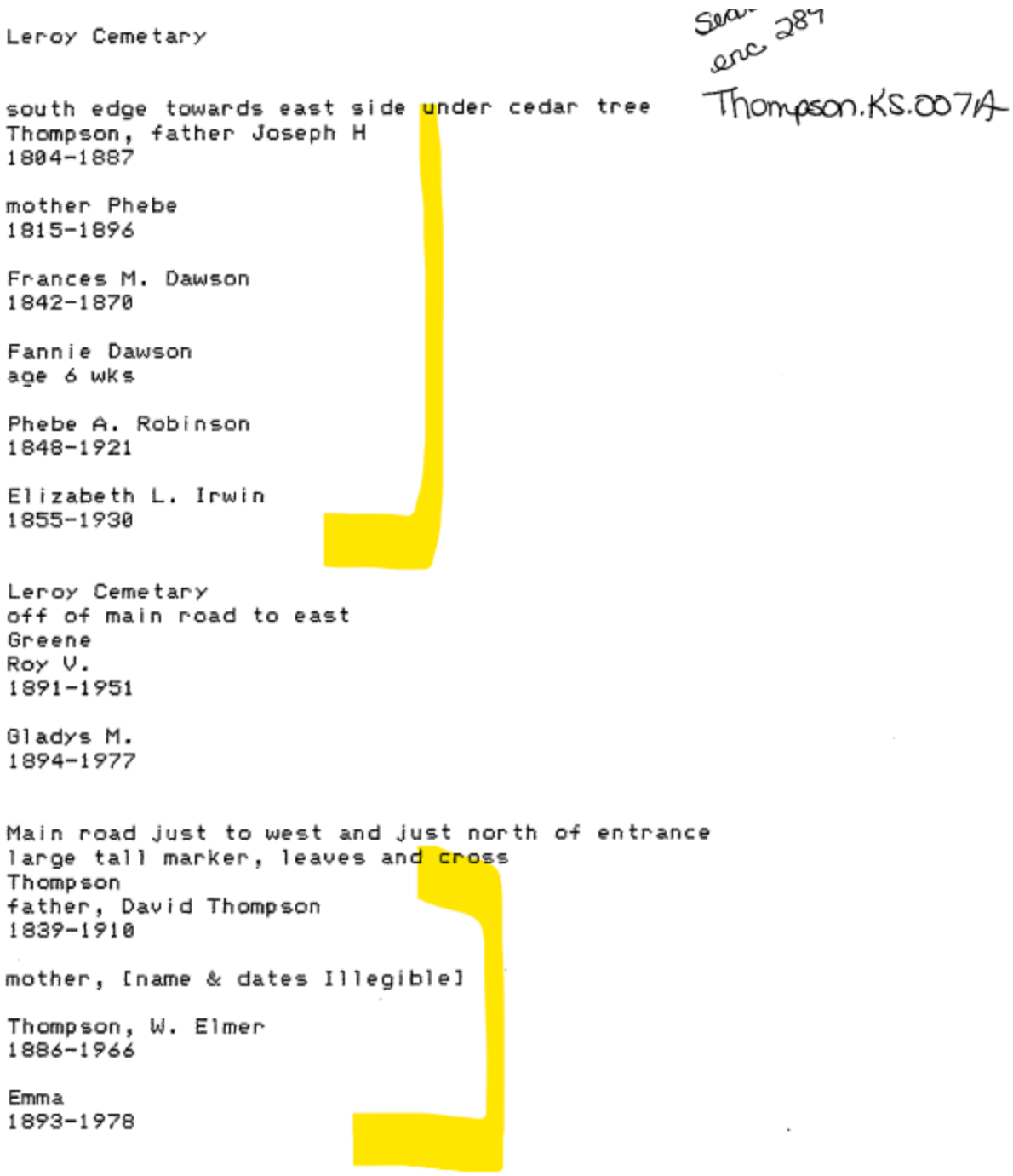
Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 5, 2024
Kansas,Thompson

THOMPSON

When you research a locality, do you ever record everything you find for a family surname? If so, do you have old handwritten (or typewritten) notes? Have you ever gone back and tried to figure out who these people are?

As I'm going thru my THOMPSON notes to make sure they are digitized and then discard that paper, I found some typewritten notes from the Le Roy Cemetery in Le Roy, Coffey County, Kansas. Some of the information in those notes is for my great aunts and uncles. However, there are two THOMPSON families that are buried in Le Roy Cemetery that I had not entered in my RootsMagic File.



Leroy Cemetary

south edge towards east side under cedar tree
Thompson, father Joseph H
1804-1887

mother Phebe
1815-1896

Frances M. Dawson
1842-1870

Fannie Dawson
age 6 wks

Phebe A. Robinson
1848-1921

Elizabeth L. Irwin
1855-1930

Leroy Cemetary
off of main road to east
Greene
Roy V.
1891-1951

Gladys M.
1894-1977

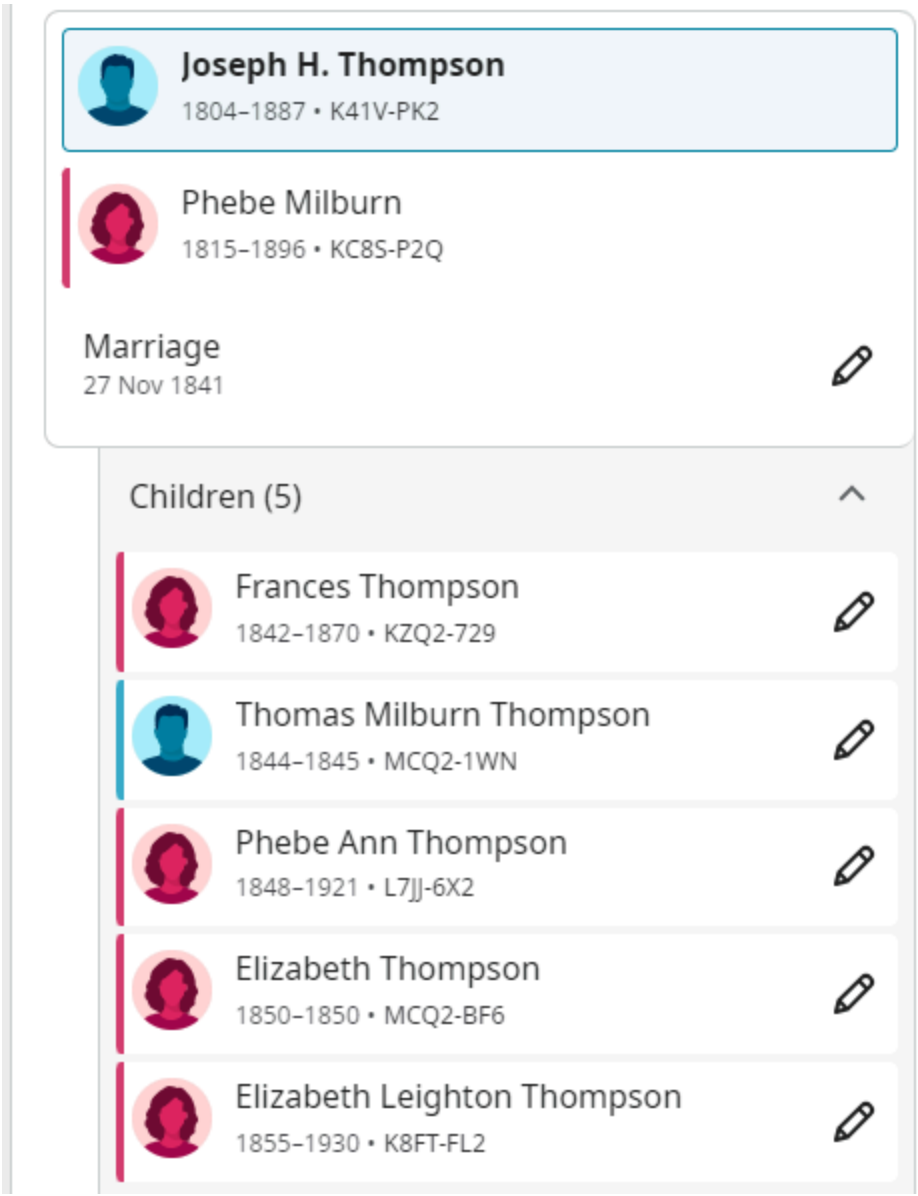
Main road just to west and just north of entrance
large tall marker, leaves and cross
Thompson
father, David Thompson
1839-1910

mother, [name & dates Illegible]

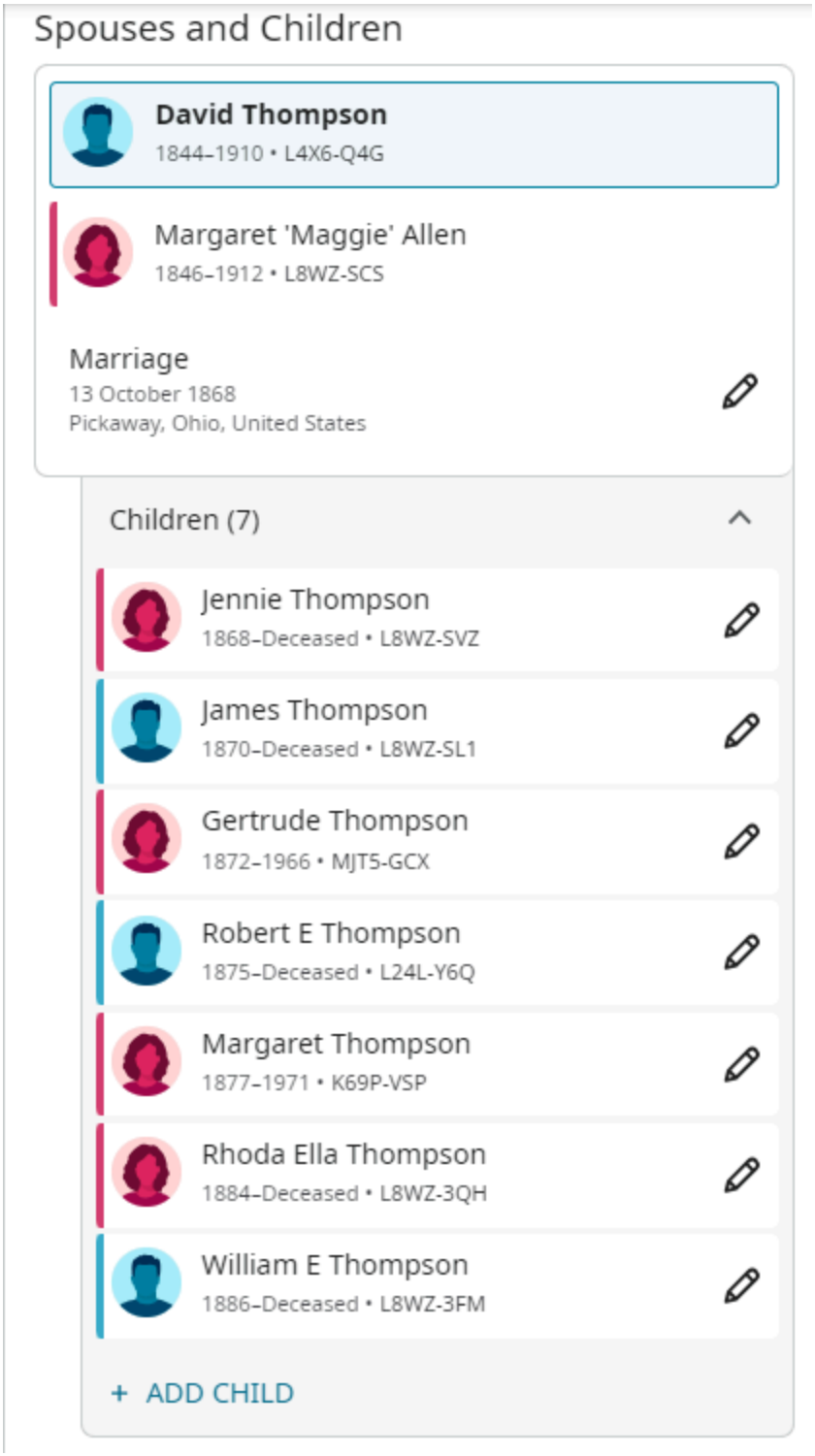
Thompson, W. Elmer
1886-1966

Emma
1893-1978

The first family was fairly easy to find on the FamilySearch tree and on Find a Grave.



I also found David Thompson on the FamilySearch Tree.



The cemetery information for the second family implies that W. Elmer Thompson was married to Emma. However, the FS tree does not show a wife for William E Thompson [L8WZ-3FM]. Since the father, David Thompson, lived in Coffey County, KS, I knew that Kansas newspapers were likely available. Thus, I started searching the papers for a marriage record for Elmer Thompson and a wife named Emma. I found such a record in the 3 Jan 1913 issue of The LeRoy Reporter.

> Thompson-Daub.
> Elmer Thompson and Emma Daub quietly married December 25, 1912 at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ben Ward. They will make their home on his farm one-half mile north of Crandall.
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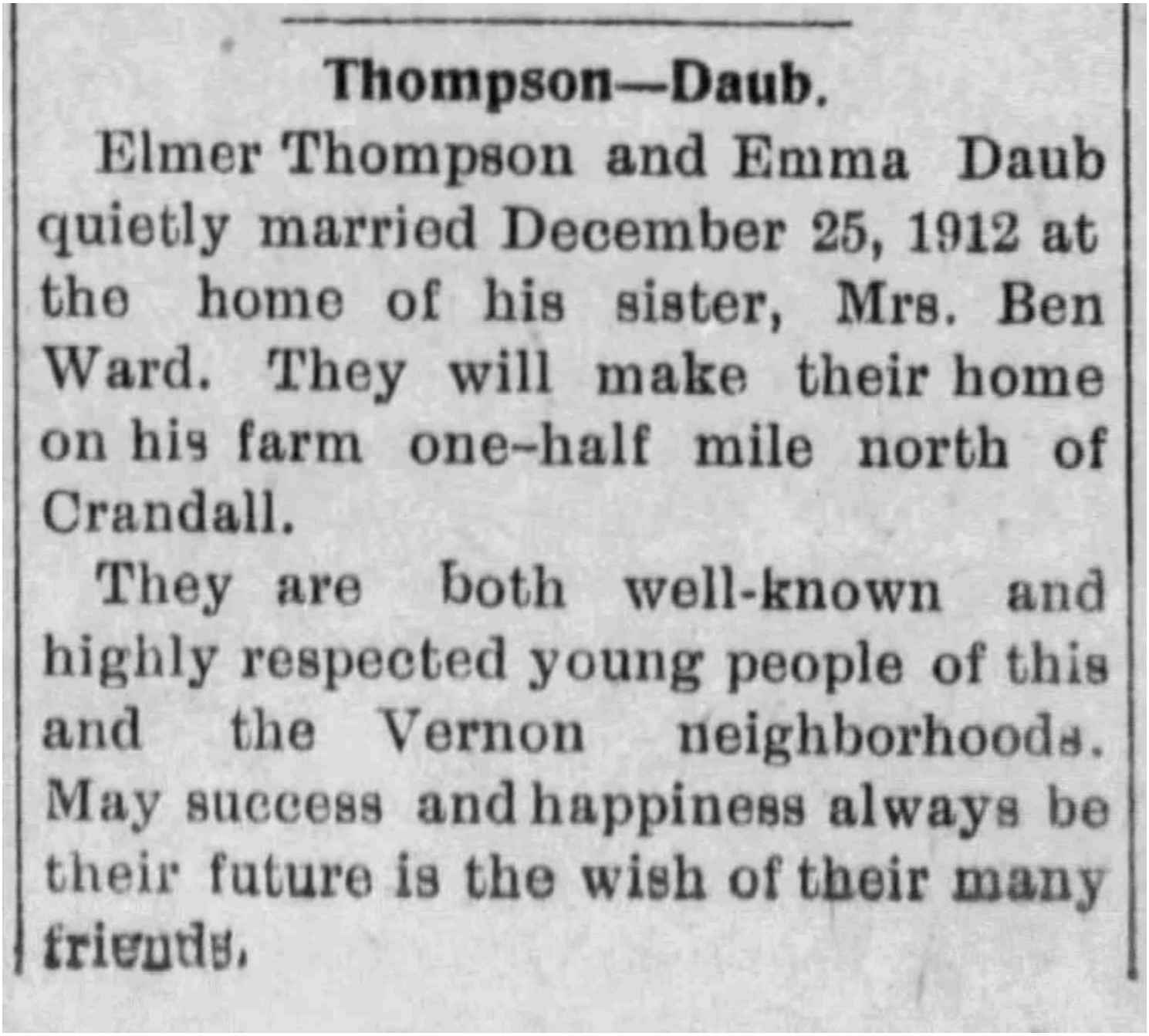
> They are both well-known and highly respected young people of this and the Vernon neighborhoods. May success and happiness always be their future is the wish of their many frientas,



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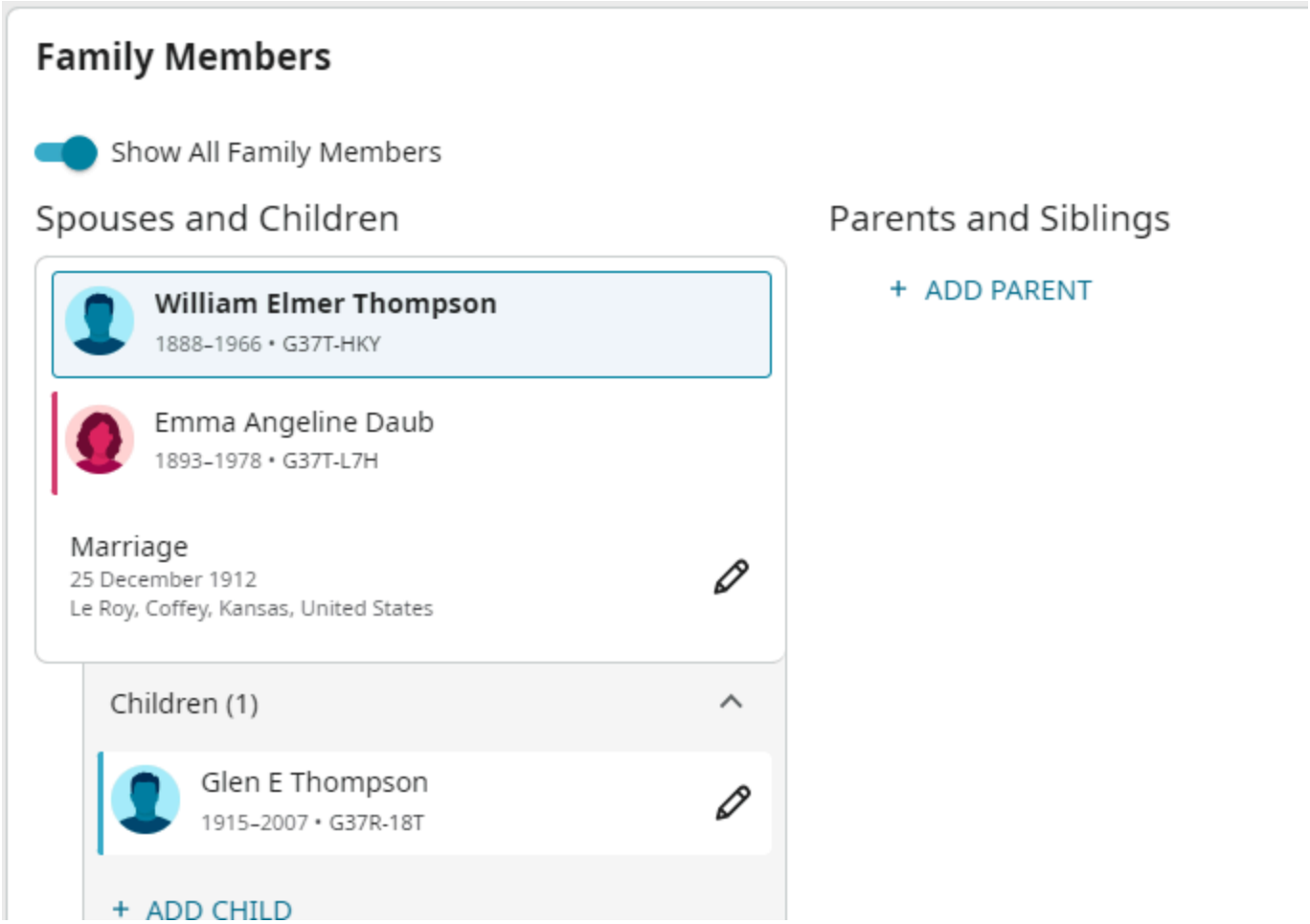
Thus, I learned Emma's maiden name. With the DAUB surname, I then searched the FS tree and found Emma Daub married to William Elmer Thompson. When I switched to William Elmer Thompson, I found that this William Thompson was not connected to parents.



Based on my cemetery notes, I think that William Elmer Thompson [G37T-HKY] married to Emma Daub is the same person as William E. Thompson [L8WZ-3FM], son of David Thompson.

Since I don't believe I am closely related to these Thompson families, I'm hesitant to merge the two William Thompson. However, I have uploaded the pdf or my cemetery notes to the memories and tagged both of these William Thompson's in the document. I've also added a note to both men to make others aware of the notes.

Hopefully, these old notes will help other researchers.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 6, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

I have been using the Chrome Extension, Sider: ChatGPT Sidebar, to transcribe newspaper articles and have very few issues with it. However, my first attempt with this post was a total failure. Basically, I was trying to get it to transcribe a page long article that was basdically a list of names. Hoping to find a work around, I tried a smaller portion and it was able to transcribe the list. Of course, I had to proofread for misread characters and artifacts. But, this proofreading was much faster than trying to transcribe the article myself.

Courier Tribune
9 Jan 1941
page 1

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

1228 Donald Ross McLaughlin
1229 Warren Clark Frey
1230 Jerry Olin Bauman
1231 Wilbur Henry Stuke
1232 Lawrence Joseph Grollmes
1233 Virgil Keith Gollins (Has enlisted in the navy.)
1234 Ivan Harold Conley
1235 Henry Bernard Niehues
1236 Von William Hanni
1237 Sylvester John Koch
1238 Clettus John Bergman
1239 Melvin Jerry Rokey
1240 Joseph Waldo Shaffer
1241 Clarence John Werner
1242 George William Dannevik
1243 Charles Joseph McVey
1244 William Gudenkauf Jr.
1245 Laverne C. Holsapple
1247 Raymond Bernard Bergman
1248 Ernest Oscar Lukert
1249 Willard Willis Fairfield
1250 Clemet Joseph Koelzer
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1252 Wayne Warren Zabel
1253 George Peter Lierz Jr.
1254 John Emmett Greene Jr;
1255 Arnold LeRoy Stachli
1256 Dallas Wayne Wade
1257 Kermit Lee Davies
1258 Donald Williams Zubler

1259 Louis F. Jerome
1260 Matthias Joseph Lierz
1261 Neil Kenneth Stalder
1262 Reuben Jacob Bauman
1263 Kenneth Merrill Levick
1264 William Harold Thompson
1265 Dwight Gilbert Hanks
1266 Glenn Robert Jenkins
1267 Francis Oscar Haffner
1268 Harry Henry Massey
1269 Earl Jacob Meyer
1270 D. Herbert Schlaegel
1271 Philip Culver Moser

1272 George W. McDaniel
1273 Albert Clemens Holthaus
1274 Samuel George Payne
1275 Oliver Theodore Schindler
1276 Paul Arthur Nightingale
1277 Frank A. Mathewson
1278 Alvin Henry Holthaus

1279 Glenn Emerson Littrall
1280 Charles Edward Cummins
1281 Robert Lee Jessee
1282 Walter Mally
1283 Alton Ellis Stalcup
1284 John Joseph Niehues
1285 John Robert Mooney
1286 Francis Bernard Wietharn
1287 Clarence Leroy Smith
1288 Wilbur W. Wurzbacher
1289 Jesse Irvin Wisdom
1290 Lloyd Bryan Tribble

1291 Clifford Frederick Labbe
1292 Vincent Henry Kongs
1293 Wilfred Thomas Smith
1294 Andrew William Wiltz
1295 Clarence Tullock Casey
1296 Wayne Rexford Reinhart
1297 Donald Ellsworth Hewitt
1298 Wayne Edward Labbe
1299 Gerald Edwin Carpenter
1300 John Stafford Bostwick
1301 Philip Irven Edelman
1302 Elgin Andrew Strahm
1303 Harold Collier
1304 Edwin Joseph Kramer
1305 Noah Jacob Bauman
1306 Frederick Barrett Emery
1307 Lester Gerald Crouse
1308 John Thomas Amos, Jr.
1309 Ray Henry Kramer
1310 Thomas Mathias Treinen

1311 Barney Frederick Rethman
1312 Howard Clinton Kreitzer
1313 Hiram Abiff Grose
1314 Albert Paul Thieme
1315 Albert H. Plattner
1316 Robert Quentin Lindeen
1317 Marshall H. Ukele
1318 Thomas Sherman Forgy
1319 Elmer Keithly
1320 Benedict Joseph Feldkamp
1321 Martin Joseph Werner
1322 George Anthony Heinen
1323 Milton Fredreck Rowson
1324 Henry William Steinlage
1325 Dale Judson Rowland
1326 Herman Mast, Jr.
1327 William Clyde Owens
1328 Floyd Melvin Eichelberger
1329 Harry Lloyd Wherry
1330 Julius Fred Waterman
1331 Boyd R. Tomlinson
1332 Edward George Lehman
1333 John Ford Deaver

1334 Norbert Fred. Eisenbarth
1335 Waldo Allen Miller
1336 James Calvin Newlin
1337 John Maxon Williams
1338 Raymond A. Lierz
1339 Raymond A. Dobbins
1340 Fredolin Bernard Niehues
1341 Wilbur Ray Sigmund
1342 James Robert Harris
1343 William Lloyd Pfrang
1344 Ralph Wendell Steele
1345 John Anthony Houlton
1346 Robert Burns VanMeter

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Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 7, 2024
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Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night Again –

Time For Some More Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) We all need, and usually enjoy, a little help from our genealogy friends. This week's challenge is to share a time when a genea-friend helped you find a record, or even solve a mystery. It could be a recent help, or something from long ago.

I am very thankful for the help I've received along the way with my research!

One of my favorite 'collaboration' stories is about my trying to figure out my CURREY genealogy. At the time, I was trying to prove a relationship between my ancestor, Hiram M. Currey, of Leavenworth county, Kansas, Hiram M. Currey of Peoria County, Illinois and Hiram M. Currey of Champaign county, Ohio. So far, I have not found any record directly connecting these three generations of men named Hiram M. Currey.

Thus, I branched out to research known sons and their descendants of the Champaign county, Ohio Hiram M. Currey. I was in an email conversation with a Currey researcher in the state of Washington. She had an obituary for James Barnes Currey that stated he died in Oregon. Unfortunately, neither of us could find any record for a James Barnes Currey in Oregon. After a couple of months discussing this obituary and the lack of records, I realized that there was a town called Oregon in northwest Missouri. Indeed, James Barnes Currey was buried in Oregon, Holt county, Missouri.

Quite a few people helped me with this CURREY research. Their help allowed me to locate some land records connecting Hiram M. Currey of Peoria, Illinois and Thomas M. Currey, son of the Champaign county Hiram M. Currey.

I've also received tremendous help with my Crawford research. Margaret Simpson of the Garrard County Historical Society, Kentucky was very kind and shared a land ownership map wih me. That map has been very helpful as I've tried to research my Crawford fan club.

Dave Nicholson is another genealogist that I've come to depend on for help interpreting my CRAWFORD yDNA results. Dave is one of the administrators of the CRAWFORD y-DNA project. Not only does he readily share his knowledge of the project in the Facebook group, but he provides individual assistance via email.

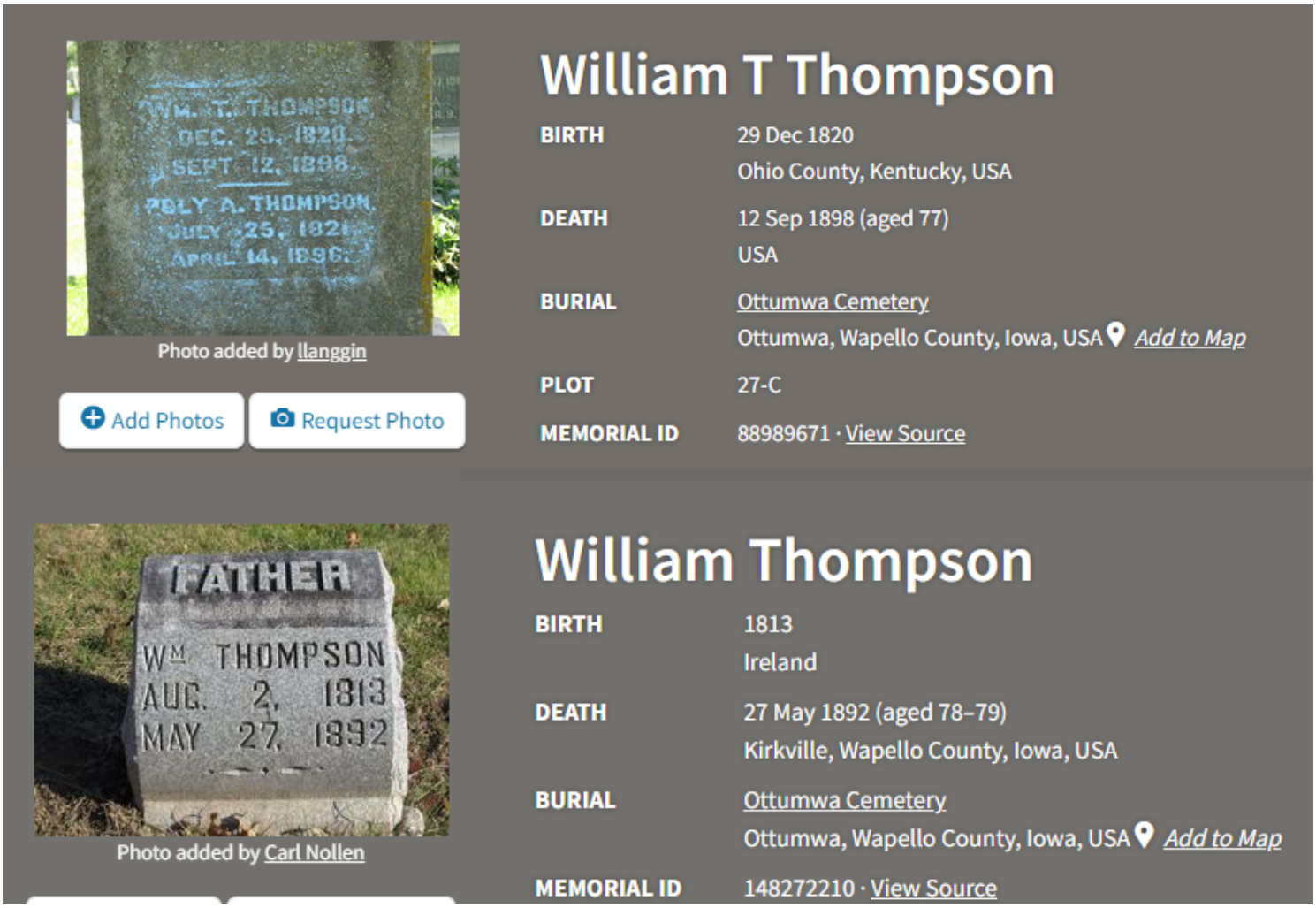
These are just a few examples of how others have helped me in my genealogy journey. Again, I am very thankful for the willingness to collaborate in the genealogy community!

Thompson Will

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 8, 2024
Iowa,Thompson

Do you have records in your files for the 'wrong' person? Admittedly, I have such records. As I was digitizing my THOMPSON paper records, I came across a will for William Thompson.

My third great grandfather, William T. Thompson died in 1898 and is buried in Wapello County, Iowa. William's wife was Polly Ann Evans. If I'm remembering correctly, I first became aware of a second William Thompson in Wapello county, Iowa when looking for William Thompson in Find a Grave.



Not only are these two men of about the same age buried in the same cemetery but their wives both went by 'Polly'.

The copy of the Wapello County, Iowa will in my files was dated in 1887, Since it only identified a wife named Polly, it could be for either William Thompson. However, a careful reading of what the clerk of the court wrote when recording the will provides another date of 24 August 1892. In addition, the clerk's notes indicate that WIlliam Thompson is deceased. Thus, this will is for the William Thompson born in Ireland and NOT for my ancestor.

Wapello County Iowa
Will Books

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Last Will and Testament
of
William Thompson

Be it remembered that I William Thompson of Kirk
ville in the County of Wapello and State of Iowa being of
sound mind and memory, of the age of 73 years do make
publish and declare this as my last will and testament
hereby revoking all former wills, by me made the dispo
sition of my property shall be in manner following
That is to say
1st I direct that my just debts shall be paid with all
convenient speed
2nd I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Polly
Thompson all of my property and every kind and caractor
and wherever found, including real estate and personal prop
erty. To do with as she may see fit and proper
In witness whereof I the above named testator, have here
unto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of July 1887
William Thompson

At Kirkville, Iowa on this 23 day of July 1887 the
within named testator signed this instrument and pub
lished and declared the same to be his last will and
testament and one in his presence and at his request
and in the presence of each other have hereunto sub
scribed our names as witnesses
J E Page
Geo M. Davidson
Kirkville, Iowa

State of Iowa
Wapello County
I John Sheehan CLerk of the District
Court in and for said COunty doe hereby certify
that on this day at the August term AD 1892 of
said court the will and instrument in writing here

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unto annexed and bearing the date on the 23 day of July 1887
was duly proved before and allowed by said Court as and
for the last will and testament of the real and personal
estate of Wm Thompson late of said county, **deceased**,
and was by said court ordered to be recorded as such
Will and testament
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the seal of the said court at
my office in Ottumwa in said County, this
24 day of August A.D. 1892
John Sheehan
Clerk

Last Will and Testament
of
William Thompson.

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Be it remembered That I William Thompson of Kirkville in the County of Wapello and State of Iowa, being of Sound Mind and Memory, of the age of 73 years do make publish and declare this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. The disposition of my property shall be in manner following

That is to say;

1st. I direct that my just debts shall be paid with all convenient speed.

2nd. I give, devise, and bequeath to my beloved wife, Polly Thompson all of my property of every kind and caractor and wherever found, Including Real Estate and personal property. To do with as she may see fit and proper.

In witness whereof, I the above named Testator, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 23rd day of July 1887.

William Thompson.

At Kirkville Iowa on this 23 day of July 1887 the within named Testator signed this Instrument and published, and declared the same to be his last will and Testament and we in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses

J. E. Page Kirkville Iowa.
Geo. W. Davidson

State of Iowa, } ss.
Wapello County }

I John Sheehan Clerk of the District Court in and for said County, do hereby certify that on this day at the August Term A. D. 1892 of said Court the Will and Instrument in writing here-

unto annexed, and bearing date on the 23 day of July 1887, was duly proved before, and allowed by said Court as and for the last Will and Testament of the real and personal estate of Wm Thompson late of said County, deceased, and was by said Court ordered to be recorded as such Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, at my office, in Ottumwa in said County, this 24 day of August A. D. 1892.

John Sheehan,
Clerk.

Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 9, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

Lt. Robert W. Shaw

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List Men Soon to Go

Part had Finals

Took Pre-Induction Exams; Others Yet To Take Last Physicals
Names of 32 men who are in line for early induction into service, were obtained yesterday at the draft office.
Some 18 or 20 of these men have had pre-induction exams and will go directly into the army. They are the last of those so examined under the old pre-induction plan.
The rest will have their final physicals at Ft. Leavenworth and if they pass, will be taken immediately into the army, which is the plan now effective.
The men about to go are:
Charles McMahon, Goff
Albert Kreutzman, Baileyville
Wm. Arthur Hoffman, Centralia
Alvin Francis Huber, Bern
Paul Ehlers, Sabetha
George Hunninghake, Baileyville
Robert Mitchell, Axtell
Ross Edgar George, Wetmore
Donald Winkler, Seneca
Eugene Milne, Oneida
Robert Shaw, Seneca
Lloyd Smith, Centralia
Albert Herneteh, Goff
Walter Wichman, Seneca
Marcellus Boeding, Seneca
LeRoy Myers, Sabetha
Russell Coe, Corning
Andrew Grollmes, Goff
Aloysius Kongs, Centralia
Paul Hiltibrand, Corning
Leland Strahm, Sabetha
Leonard Oenbring, Baileyville
Harry Tryon, Robinson, reg. Sabetha.
Leo Schmelzle, Seneca
Wm. H. Miller, Corning
Albert Moynagh, Seneca
Fred Stuke, Seneca
Lawrence Dalsing, Oneida
Gale Althouse, Sabetha
Vernon Schneider, Seneca
Raymond McKee, Seneca
John Niehues, Goff

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AND MORE
TO ARMY
23 LEFT YESTERDAY

The Nemaha County Quotas Heavy for Month of April

The army is really taking young men from Nemaha county. Yesterday saw the second-quota of the month leave, 23 men taking bus at Seneca for Ft. Leavenworth. Of these, 22 were men who had registered in Nemaha county, one was a transfer. Transfer was Geo. Crane, former Senecan, who had registered at Avoca, Iowa, but wanted to leave from here. The county has transferred one man out of the county, so breaks even. Harry Tryon, Robinson, who registered at Sabetha, was transferred to Brown county for induction.

Vincent Tangeman, who was to have been called yesterday, has enlisted in the navy:

Joy Meyer, Oneida, who was in the last call but had mumps, was able to leave; with the group yesterday.

The men were Donald Winkler, Robert Shaw, Walter. Wichman, Marcellus Boeding, Seneca, and George Crane, the former Senecan; Charles McMahon, Andrew H. Grollmes and Albert Hermesch, Goff; Albert Kruetzman, Leonard Oenbring and George Bernard Huniinghake, Baileyville; William Arthur Hoffman, Lloyd Smith, Aloysius Kongs, Centralia; Robert John Mitchell, Axtell; Alvin Huber, Bern; Paul Ehlers, LeRoy Glen Myers and Leland Strahm, Sabetha; Ross Edgar George, Wetmore; Eugene Milne and Joy Meyer, Oneida; Russell Albert Coe, Corning.

George Hunninghake of Baileyville and Leland Strahm, Sabetha, were the third in each of their families to join the service.

A farewell was given at the city hall weather not being favorable for an outdoor gathering. The hall was thronged. The band played, introductions, were made by R. M. Emery, Jr., and an inspirational talk was given by Father Matthew Hall, O. S. B.

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Private Robert Shaw, Seneca inductee, has this address: Battery C, 28th Battalion, 7th Training regiment, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

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Pvt. Bob Shaw, Ft. Sill, Okla., visited his mother, Mrs. Milton Hawley and other relatives, Saturday and Sunday. Bob hopes to be transferred to the air corps for training.

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With the Armed Forces

Flight Officer Bob Shaw is visiting his mother, Mrs. Milton Hawley, and other relatives this week. Bob recently graduated from pilot school at Luke field, Phoenix, Ariz. and is the pilot of a single motor fighter plane. HE will return to Luke field next Sunday.

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Corp. Max B Murphy, on leave in England, met Bob Shaw, son of Mrs. Milton Hawley, Seneca. Bob told Max that he was the first Seneca boy he had met overseas. Max's APO number is changed to 557. Bob Shaw is a warrant officer in the air corps.

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Lt. Bob Shaw is flight officer in his unit, camped in England. He is also a pilot receiving his wings and commission at Luke Field, Arizona.

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Sgt. Bob Shaw and Pfc. Jack Akers form the same camp, who are being transferred to Camp Howze where they will be with the Combat Engineers.

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A Seneca Flier Reported Missing

Lt. Robert Shaw Lost in Flight over Germany

Mrs. Milton Hawley received word Sunday, October 8, that her only son, Second Lieutenant Robert Shaw, is missing in action over Germany since September 18. The Lt. Shaw has been in service Lt. Shaw has been in service general, with the assurance that if further information was learned, immediate word would be sent relatives.
Lt. Shaw has been in service about two and one-half years. He, graduated from Luke Field, Ariz., Nov. 5, 1943, was home on short leave and went overseas the last of November last year. He was then a flight officer; believed to be on a bomber and was promoted to second lieutenant in August this year. The nature of his work is not known to his family. The last letter his mother received was written September 13.
Bob -is 24 years-old, attended Seneca High School. Members of his family and his many friends are hopeful of receiving good news in regard to his safety, soon.

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1 Mar 1945
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Believe Lt. Bob Shaw May Be a Prisoner

Mrs. Ella Hawley received a letter from the War Department of the U. S. Government last week with news concerning the mission on-which her son Lt. Robert Shaw was reported missing. The letter stated that Bob, pilot of a transport plane, was within two, miles of his objective when the plane was hit and crippled by anti-aircraft fire.
Four crew members were seen to have bailed out before the plane crashed but no other information could be given: the mission was in the vicinity of “Grosbeak, Holland on September 18. This is the first word of encouragement Mrs. Hawley has received and leads her to believe Bob may be a prisoner of the Germans. She hopes with the advancement of Allied armies and the liberation of some American internment camps she may receive word her son is safe and well.

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Division, A. P. 0.450, U. S. Army — Second Lieutenant George O. Shaw, 0-540658, Infantry, Co. D., 343d Infantry Regiment, U. S. Army, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with the military operations against the enemy in Germany from April 10, 1945 to April 28, 1945. At Dunschede, Germany, 2nd Lt. Shaw courageously led his men in the elimination of enemy positions so that Company A could proceed upon its mission. When his company commander was pinned down by the hostile fire at Humburg, Germany, Lieut. Shaw, without regard for his safety moved forward, selected gun positions and delivered heavy fire upon the enemy so that his commander could continue the advance. Later was given the mission of sending one section of his heavy machine guns with reconnaissance troops. Accompanying a section of his heavy machine guns with reconnaissance troops, Lieut. Shaw was subjected to the murderous machine gun and rifle fire as he approached a small village. He advanced ‘unhesitatingly- under the fire, directed ‘his guns into position and forced the enemy to surrender. His courage, initiative and leadership reflect great credit to himself and the armed forces of the United States. He entered military service from South Carolina.
The 23 year old son of Major and Mrs. John C. Shaw of Goff, of the 86 th infantry division, whose average age was 22 years, is now in the states of a a 30 day furlough enroute to the Pacific area.

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Mrs. Hawley Learns
Son Survived Crash
Mrs. Milton Hawley, mother of Bob Shaw, who was reported missing after action in Europe, September 18 of last year, received a letter recently from a Lt. Ralph L. McClintock, who gave her information about her son. The letter read: “Enclosed is Bob’s wallet which the Germans gave me when we were captured. They took everything out of it when they searched us

except the things still in it. I never knew why they gave me his things but they did and so will send them on to you.
I have waited so long in writing you in hopes I would have some word to pass on. Since I haven't heard any, I feel I've waited long enough, so will write you what I know and the same thing I've told the Army. On our mission, the second day of the Arnheim, Holland Drive, we were towing gliders when our plane became unmanageable due to intense ground fire. I told the fellows to get out which we all did, Sgt. Callahan,

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first, I think, then Christal, Bob and myself later. I lit by myself, was captured and taken to a farm house and put in a barn under guard. About 10 minutes later, Bob and Christal were brought in. They wouldn't let us talk but I learned that neither was hurt. They told me so and nothing was apparently wrong.
I was only with them a few minutes when the Germans took me into the house. They started raising Ned, most of which 1 didn't understand and didn't make any difference anyhow as I wasn't answering what I did understand. They tired after a while and to me into another room, then brought Bob and Christal in. After they were taken out, I was brought in again and was given their few things like their wallets, pen knives and so forth. These were taken from me in later searches except the wallets.
I was then put under guard of three Germans and put in a small truck to be taken away. I immediately asked where my crew was and was given to understand they would be coming later or had already gone on and that as I was pilot, I was being taken to be questioned. It sounded reasonable so I was satisfied.
All through the different-camps I kept asking for Bob and Christal but could get no word of them anywhere. I even had a letter written to the Red Cross at Genera, Switzerland, but they could give me no word.
I am sorry that all I can tell you is that the last I saw them in the barn, they were both O.K., said they were and looked alright. I have done everything I can think of to locate them but I haven't heard a word, I sincerely hope that you have"

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Government Declares Bob Shaw Dead

Mrs. Ella Hawley received word Monday, Sept. 24, from the United States Government, that her son, Second Lieut. Robert Shaw, glider pilot, is now declared officially dead. He was missing since Sept. 18, 1944, when he flew a volunteer mission over Arnheim, Holland. A letter published in Monday's Courier-Tribune, was information received by Mrs. Hawley from Lieut. McClintock, who was with Bob on his last mission, and is the last and most definite information she has had about her son.
Bob was born in January, 1920, in Seneca, and spent all his life here until he entered service. He first trained with the US Light Artillery at Ft. Sill, Okla., and was later transferred to aviation. He was home about two years ago and went overseas in December, 1943. He served in Africa, Italy, Sicily and at the time he was reported lost, was based in England.
Bob was the only son of Mrs. Hawley and those who knew him, feel that in making the supreme sacrifice for his country, Bob did it with strong convictions as to his duty and belief in right and justice.

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Still a Veil of Mystery
FROM DAYS OF THE WAR
Remains Established as Those
of Lt. Robert Shaw, Seneca,
and of Fellow Flier, Are
Recovered From Farm on
German-Holland Border
Tragedies of World War II are still being reviewed.
An unusual story in regard to a Nemaha County service man who gave his life, Lieutenant Robert WW. Shaw of Seneca, has come to light at the present time.
Bob Shaw grew up in Seneca, was one of our boys. His mother, Mrs. Shaw, widowed, married Mil- ton Hawley. The mother is now deceased, and the information that can be learned about Bob Shaw comes to Mr. Hawley, who kindly letter he has received from the Army Quartermaster Department. Mr Hawley says that as well as new information, it reviews all that the family had learned before.
Briefly, Lieutenant Bob Shaw was a co-pilot shot down over the German-Holland border in 1944 , on a volunteer mission in which his plane was towing glider troops for an attack.
It was known that he parachuted safely and was captured by the war as a prisoner, but that Bob had disappeared.

Now, at last, remains that are established as those of Lt. Shaw and a fellow flier have been found on the farm near which he was shot down, and are being returned to the national cemetery at Fort Leavenworth, where the military burial service will be held on the morning of August 17.

A mystery remains of what happened after Lt Shaw was captured. Whether he tried to escape, put up a fight, was slain without mercy, was the victim of an attack on his captors just, what happened will probably never be learned.
Mr. Hawley said that for some years Bob's mother thought he might have been transferred by the Germans to the Russians and imprisoned in concentration camps. As the years passed, there could not be much hope he had lived. The reaction of the family seems to be something of relief, that after the long years something definite has been established and that his remains will rest in the soil of his homeland
It is a long, but interesting story, and we believe told best in the from Lieutenant-Colonel Donald L. Warde of the Quartermaster Corps:
Dear Mr. Hawley:
This letter is in reference to your ton, Second Lieutenant Robert W. Shaw, who lost his life in Europe during World War II. son and one of his comrades were recovered from a culvert on a farm in Germany. Because of the place of burial and the effects: of the elements, which caused certain portions of the remains to be lost, it was not possible to identify these two men individually. They have therefore, been established as a group burial, the only recoverable remains of your son and Seargeant First Class Allen Christal. Because of this situation I should like to give you a resume of the lengthy investigation an effort to resolve this case. On 18 September 1944, your son And Sergeant First Class Allen Christal, both on the 54rd TC Squadron, 61st TC group, were

members of a four man crew aboard a Douglas C−47 aircraft No., 42−2406 (Skytrain) which departed Barkston-Heath, England, on a glider tow mission to Groesbeek, Holland, during the Arnheim-Nijmegen campaign. The aircraft was hit by enemy flak and was seen to crash about one mile southeast of. Groesbeek, at approximately 2:30 p. m. of the same day; however, all of the crew members parachuted and landed safely. The crew members were your son, Lt. Robert W. Shaw, Co-pilot, CFC Allen Christal, Crew Chief, 1/Lt Ralph L. McClintock, pilot, and S/Sgt Robert E. Callahan, radio operator.

Records further disclose that S/Sgt Callahan was rescued by Dutch civilians and later returned to duty. The pilot, 1/ Lt McClintock, was captured by the Germans as were Lt. Shaw and SFC Christal. The following is a condensed version of a detailed statement by Lt McClintock, concerning the loss of the plane, his capture and the circumstance in which he last saw his crew mates.
Within 20-30 minutes after his, plane was shot down McClintock; was captured, taken to a farm yard close by and put into a barn. A subsequent investigation revealed that the farm was the Kruezhof farm near Kranenburg, Germany. Shortly thereafter, Shaw and Christal were brought, in and seated beside him. Through conversation, he learned that neither of his crew members were injured. The Germans interrogated each man separately, with the pilot being the first in order. When McClintock was called back into the interrogation room, he and was made to understand that Shaw and Christal had gone ahead or were to follow. At this time, the German gave him Shaw's and Christal's wallets, knives, etc., tied up in individual bundles using their handkerchiefs as a wrapper. From that time, he never saw or heard of them again. Lt. McClintock related further that when he protested being set from the farm without his crew mates, he was led to believe that they would follow him, and that the separation was necessary since he was the pilot and would be subjected to further interrogation. Later, while confined to a Prisoner of War camp, Lt. McClintock caused a letter to be written to the International Red Cross at Geneva, Switzerland, in an effort to learn the fate of these two members of his crew but no further information was uncovered at that time.
According to captured Germany records a Douglas C-47 cargo plane of the 53rd TC Group, 61st TC Squadron was shot down in the Arnheim area at noon on 18 September 1944. The rank, surname, and position of four crew members are listed. A translated copy of the same report reflects of the four crew members and the serial numbers of two.
From October 1946 to March 1949 many searches and investigations were conducted by United States Army personnel in an effort to learn the fate of these two men. The investigations brought negative results, however, and none of the remains recovered from the general area could be associated with your son Robert and his companion. At the conclusion of the investigations it was determined that their remains were nonrecoverable.

In April 1958, The British Imperial War Graves Commission advised United States Army officials that they had certain remains in their possession which they believe-
ed to be those of United States Army personnel. According to the commission, the remains were recovered from the "Kruezhof" farm (where your son was last seen alive) and temporarily interred in the British Reichswald cemetery. Preliminary examination revealed the intermingled remains of two decedents, remnants of a military shirt and shoes of United States manufacture.
At a later date the remains were processed through our scientifically equipped laboratories in Frankfurt, Germany. Proceeding on the theory that the remains, were those of United States Army Air Force personnel who died during the opening phases of the Arnheim-Nijmegen campaign, or other, military operation in the same general area, it was necessary to screen an undetermined number of files for World War II casualties lost in the pertinent geographical area as well as many other historical and organizational records. After a careful consideration of the circumstances of your son's death, laboratory findings, place of recovery, and military effects recovered with the remains, and the fact that evidence of the recovery confirmed statements made by Lt McClintock, the identification of the only recoverable, remains of your son and SFC Christal was established.
The remains have been casketed and will be returned to the United States for interment in Fort Leavenworth National cemetery, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas on 17 August 1959 at 11:00 a. m. This cemetery is the nearest national cemetery to the homes of both decedents.' –

(from this point the letter concludes with transportation arrangements that can be made for their next of kin, noting however, that the number of persons who may attend the services is not limited.

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Attend the Service for Lieut. Robert Shaw

Military honors, with burial in Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery, were paid Monday morning to Second Lieutenant Robert Shaw Seneca young man who gave his life in World War II.

Attending the service were close relatives, and friends of the family. Bob's three sisters, came from California: Mrs. Rosella Hollinger of Tulare, Mrs. Evelyn Richard of Crescent City, Calif., and the former Olive Shaw, recently married, of Crescent City, California. They were guests here Sunday night at the Milton Hawley home and attended the service with Mr. Hawley. Mrs. Kenneth Stager, the former Betty Hawley, half-sister of Bob Shaw, and her husband came from Congerville, Illinois for the service. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foltz, Mrs. George Sausser and Miss Elizabeth Troughton were among the Senecans attending.

The remains of Lieutenant Shaw and of Sergeant First Class Allen Christal were honored in a group burial at the National cemetery.

This was a final chapter of a sad and long drawn story of the war, reviewed in a July issue of this paper. It was on September 18, 1944, that Lieutenant Shaw and Sfc. Christal were members of a crew of plane towing glider troops preparing for an attack. The plane was shot down near the German-Holland border, but members of the crew parachuted safely to earth. One was saved by Dutch people. Lieutenant Shaw and Sfc. Christal were captured, as well as the pilot, by the Germans. The pilot was interrogated, kept in prison camp. He was separated at the farm where they were captured, from his two other crewmen, and they, were never heard from again, though there was long search and investigation. Last, year, an English war Graves commission which had worked the battle areas reported, it had discovered remains at a culvert on the farm and provided temporary burial in a British cemetery for two men believed Americans. Again there was detailed research the check of the other men lost in the area, study of the military effects ,etc. until, it was established with definiteness that these were the lost crewmen.

The picture of Lieutenant Shaw is one that was in the 'files' of the paper, from an issue following the war that featured those who had sacrificed their lives for their country.

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Robert W. Shaw

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World War II

Service #	0-887922
Unit	53rd Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group
Rank	Second Lieutenant U.S. Army Air Forces
Entered Service From	Kansas
Status	Missing In Action
Memorialized	Tablets of the Missing Netherlands American Cemetery Netherlands American Cemetery AM Begraafplaats 1 6269 NA Margraten Netherlands

53rd Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group

Memorial Certificate

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2Lt Robert Wesley Shaw

BIRTH 10 Jan 1920
Kansas, USA

DEATH 18 Sep 1944 (aged 24)
Netherlands

CENOTAPH Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial
Margraten, Eijsden-Margraten Municipality, Limburg, Netherlands *Add to Map*

PLOT MIA or Buried at Sea

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Robert W. Shaw
Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army Air Forces
Service # 0-887922
53rd Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group
Entered the Service from: Kansas
Died:
Missing in Action or Buried at Sea
Tablets of the Missing at Netherlands American Cemetery
Margraten, Netherlands
Awards: His remains have been recovered and buried at the Ft. Leavenworth National Cemetery in Kansas.

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2LT Robert Wesley Shaw

BIRTH 10 Jan 1920
Seneca, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

DEATH 18 Sep 1944 (aged 24)
Kranenburg, Landkreis Stade, Lower Saxony, Germany

BURIAL Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery
Fort Leavenworth, Leavenworth County, Kansas, USA Add to Map

PLOT Section M, Site 709

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MEMORIAL | PHOTOS 2 | FLOWERS 4

2nd Lt. Robert Wesley Shaw was with the 53rd Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group. He died in the area SE of Groesbeek, Holland and was listed on the Wall of The Missing in the Margraten Cemeterey, The Netherlands. His remains were recovered and sent home for burial in Kansas

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Cenotaph here

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Army Service No. (ASN): #O-887922

Enlistment Date: 04/20/1942

Mystery Thompson Deed

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 10, 2024
Iowa,Thompson

Do you ever come across a land record that is in the right place and time but doesn't match what you know about the family. That's what I encountered when I found a deed filed in 1895 in Wapello County, Iowa for Polly Thompson.

My third great grandmother, Polly Ann (Evans) Thompson lived in Wapello County, Iowa in 1895. Also living in Wapello County in 1895 was Mary (Hogle) Thompson who went by Polly Thompson, Thus, I thought the deed I found was for one of these women.

Wapello County Iowa
Deeds

Deed Record
book 43

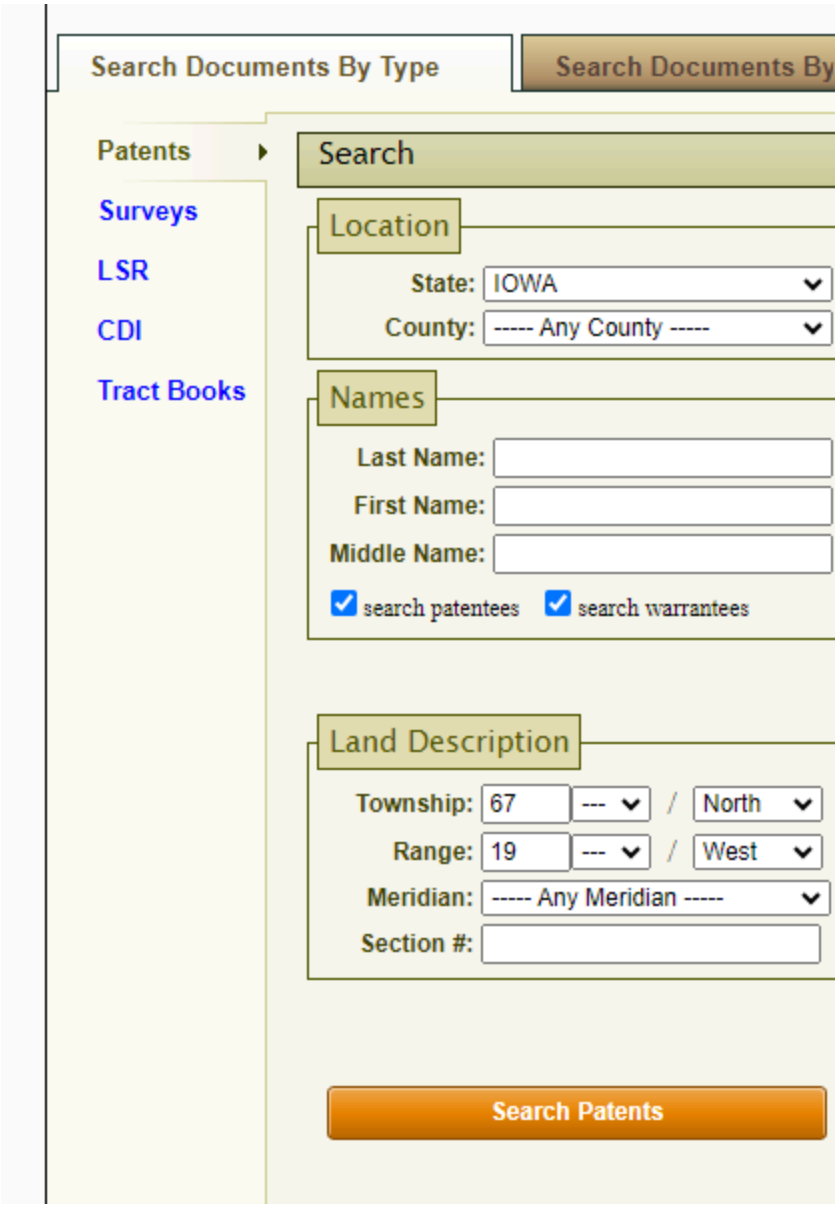
page 586
DEED RECORD — Lands . NO . 43
Filed Dec 30 AD 1895
at 2 PM
DW Bryan Recorder

United States
To Patent
Thomas Bales

The United States of America . To all to whom these presents shall come greeting : Whereas in pursuance of the Act of Congress approved September 28th 1850 , entitled , " An Act granting Bounty Lands to certain officers and soldiers who have been engaged in the Military service of the United States " Warrant No919[?] for 40 acres issued in favor of Polly Thompson widow of David Thompson private in Captain Nash's Company Tennessee Volunteers War 1812 has been returned to the General Land Office with evidence that the same has been duly located upon the **North east quarter of the South West quarter of Section thirteen in Township Sixty seven north of range nineteen west** in the District of lands subject to sale at Chariton Iowa Containing forty acres according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General which has been assigned to Thomas Bales Now know Ye. That there is therefore granted by the United States unto the said Thomas Bales the Tract of land above described ; To Have and to Hold the said Tract of land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Thomas Bales and to his heirs and assigns forever.
In testimony whereof I Franklin Pierce. President of The United States of America have caused these Letters to be made Patent , and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed
Given under my hand at the City of Washington the first day of October in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five and of the Independence of the United States the Eighteenth
By the President , Franklin Pierce
By H E Baldwin Baldwin asst Secretary
Record of Miscellaneous Military
Grants Vol 292 page 38

J N Graugh
Recorder of the General Land Office

Since the above deed refers to a patent, I decided to search the Bureau of Land Management records to see what I could find. I ended up searching by the township and range.



That search located two BALES patents. Patent #331 includes land in township 67N of Range 19W

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

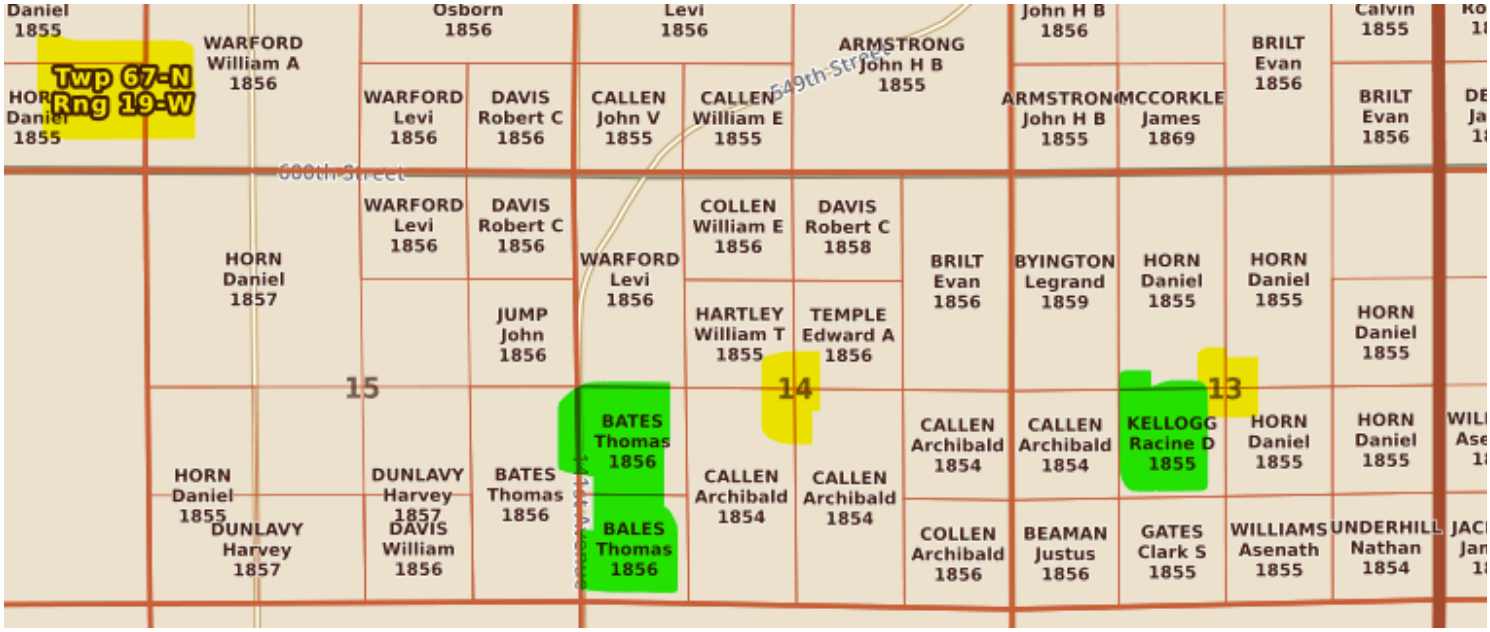
No. 8776

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

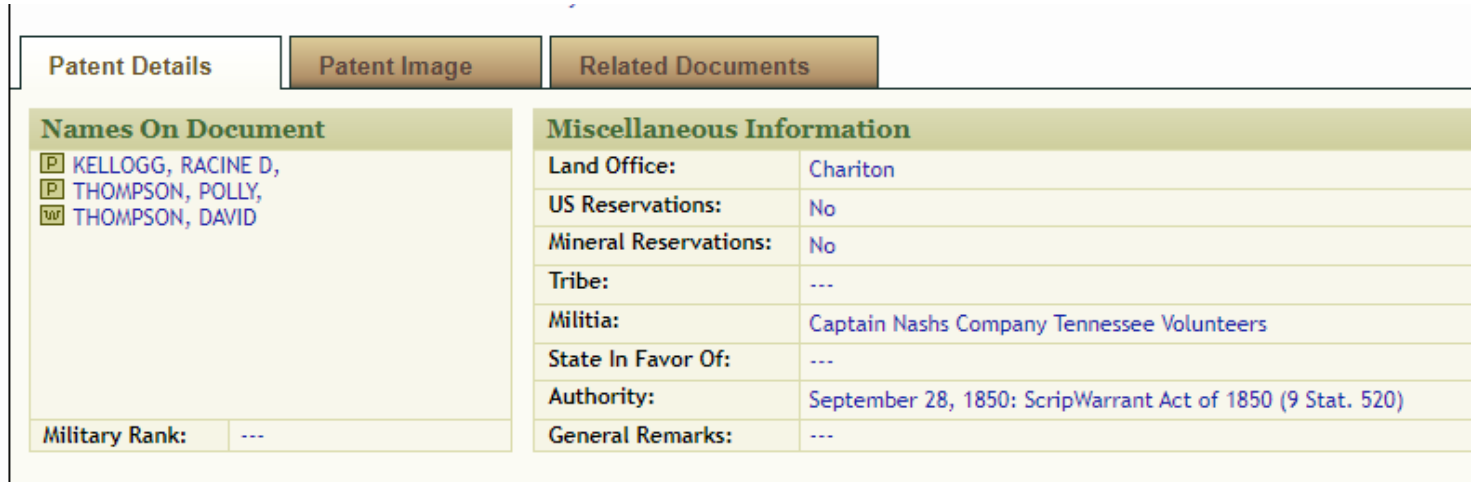
Whereas Thomas Bales of Appanoose County, Iowa,

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at Chariton whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Thomas Bales according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East fractional half of the North West Quarter of Section Twenty Two, and the South West Quarter of the South West Quarter of Section Fourteen, in Township Eighty Seven North, of Range Nineteen West of the District of Lands subject to Sale at Chariton Iowa Containing One hundred and Thirty Four acres and Several hundredths of an acre.

A search of the First Landowners site confirmed that Thomas Bales was an original land owner in section 14 of township 67N or range 19W.



Unfortunately, the land description for the Polly Thompson deed does not match the land description for Thomas Bales land. Instead, it matches land first owned by Racine D. Kellogg. Another search of BLM records found the patent under Racine D. Kellogg with David Thompson and Polly Thompson names listed below his.



Patent Details | Patent Image | Related Documents

Names On Document

- P KELLOGG, RACINE D,
- P THOMPSON, POLLY,
- W THOMPSON, DAVID

Military Rank:	---

Miscellaneous Information

Land Office:	Chariton
US Reservations:	No
Mineral Reservations:	No
Tribe:	---
Militia:	Captain Nashs Company Tennessee Volunteers
State In Favor Of:	---
Authority:	September 28, 1850: ScripWarrant Act of 1850 (9 Stat. 520)
General Remarks:	---

The patent image reveals that Thomas Bales' name was originally on the patent but marked out and replaced with the name of Racine D Kellogg. It also confirms that Polly was the widow of David THompson who was a private in Captain Nash's company Tennessee Volunteers in the War of 1812.

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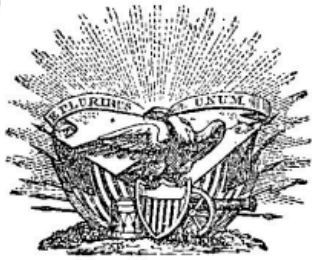


The United States of America.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, In pursuance of the Act of Congress, approved September 28th, 1850, entitled "An Act granting Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the Military Service of the United States," Warrant No. 91,958 for 40 acres, issued in favor of Polly Thompson Widow of David Thompson Private in Captain Nashs Company Tennessee Volunteers War 1812

has been returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, with evidence that the same has been duly located upon the North East quarter of the South West quarter of Section thirteen in Township Sixty Seven north of Range Nineteen West, in the District of Lands Subject to Sale at Chariton Iowa containing forty acres

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Lands returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL: Which has been assigned to ~~Thomas Bates~~ Racine 10 Kellogg.

Even though I've identified the land and found the original patent, I still have no idea who David and Polly Thompson are. Thus, this deed is still somewhat of a mystery.

Thompson Land Question

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 11, 2024
Iowa,Thompson

Do you use land records? Do you ever struggle trying to identify the owner(s) of a piece of land?

As I've been researching Wapello county Iowa land records for my 3rd great grandfather, William Thompson, I've been trying to figure out which records are for him and his wife, Polly Ann and which are for another William Thompson whose wife was Mary Hogle. Based on what I've found so far, I believe the Mary Hogle Thompson also went by the name Polly.

There are several deeds where Wm T Thompson buys and sells a tract of land. Since the census records for Wm T Thompson match the family structure for my ancestor, I believe these deeds are for my 3rd great grandfather, William T. Thompson.

I also have an 1854 deed where William T Thompson sells land to Jacob Smith.

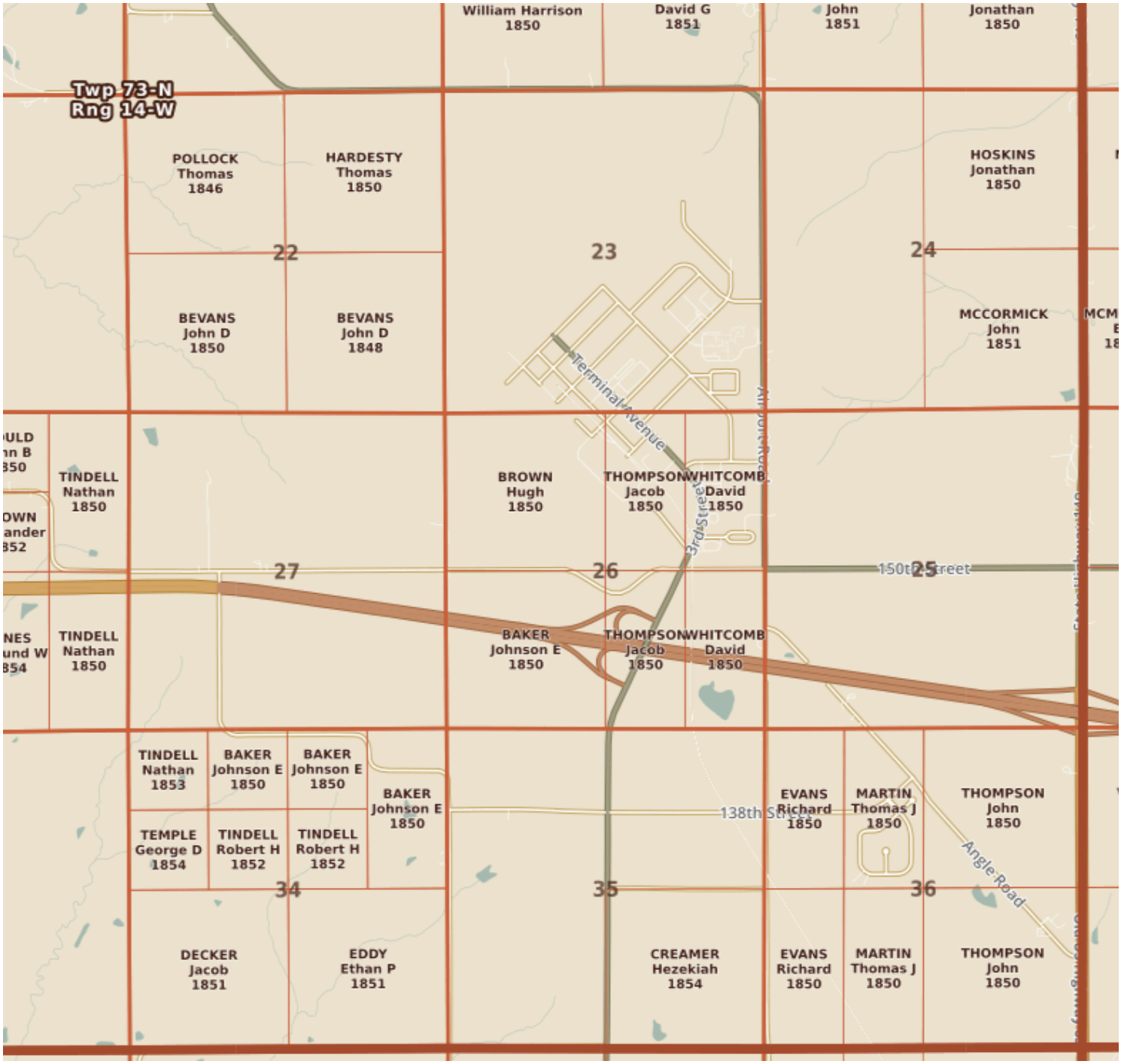
> Wapello County, Iowa
> Book I page 536
>
> FamilySearch
> Deeds – Lands, 1844-1928
> Deeds, V. H-I 1855-1856 Film 979108 DGS 8532383
>
> William T Thompson
> Deed to
> Jacob B Smith
>
> For the consideration twenty five dollars we hereby convey to
> Jacob B. Smith the following tract of land in the County of
> Wapello and State of Iowa to wit Beginning at the North west corner of the northwest
> quarter of the **North East quarter of Section No. thirty six (36) in Township No seventh three North of range fourteen Wes**t thence East eighty poles, more or less to the North east corner
> of said forty acre lot thence South forty rods to Carpenter's line thence north west to the
> Place of beginning containing ten acres be the same more or less and]warrant the title
> thereto against all persons whomsoever Witness our hands this fourth day of March
> AD 1854
> William T Thompson
> Polly Ann (her mark) Thompson
> Done in presence of
> Joseph Moore
> State of Iowa Wapello County ss
> I John Moore a justice of the peace in and for
> said county do hereby certify that on the fourth day of March 1854 personally appeared
> before me William T Thompson and Polly Ann Thompson his wife the above named grantors
> who were personally known to me to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to
> the above deed as grantors and that they acknowledged the said instrument to be voluntary
> act and deed.
> John Moore J.P.
> This deed was filed for record May 5th 1856 at 1 o'clock P.M. and was recorded
> same day
> Peter [Knox] Rec
> By H B Jones Dep

I believe this deed is also for my ancestor. However, I don't have a deed or other documentation of his purchasing the land. Thus, I decided to look at History.Geo's first landowner's map ($) to see who the original owner was in hopes of finding information to determing which William Thompson sold the land.

Using the land description from the deed

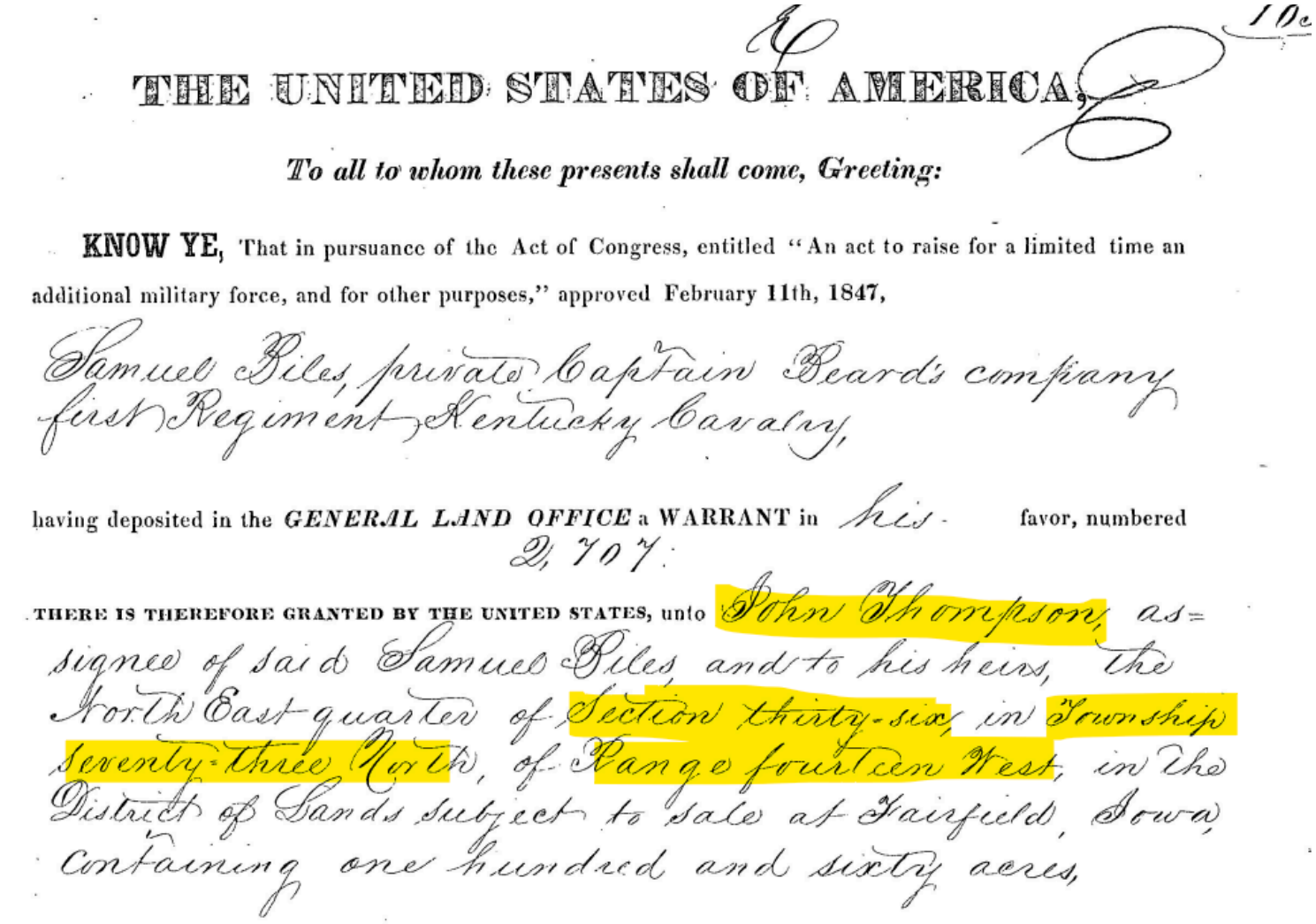
> **North East quarter of Section No. thirty six (36) in Township No seventh three North of range fourteen Wes**t

I located the land on the first landowner's map.



And I discovered that John Thompson was the original land owner of both the northeast 1/4 and the southeast 1/4 of section 36,

Armed with this information, I went the the Bureau of Land Management site to search for a land patent for John Thompson. That search resulted in two patents for land in section 36 involving John Thompson. The patent for the northeast quarter was dated in May of 1850.



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

KNOW YE, That in pursuance of the Act of Congress, entitled "An act to raise for a limited time an additional military force, and for other purposes," approved February 11th, 1847,

Samuel Piles, private Captain Beard's company first Regiment Kentucky Cavalry,

having deposited in the *GENERAL LAND OFFICE* a WARRANT in his favor, numbered 2,707:

THERE IS THEREFORE GRANTED BY THE UNITED STATES, unto John Thompson, assignee of said Samuel Piles, and to his heirs, the North East quarter of Section thirty-six, in Township Seventy-three North, of Range fourteen West, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Fairfield, Iowa, Containing one hundred and sixty acres,

So, I have John Thompson acquiring the land in 1850 and William Thompson selling a portion of the same land in 1854. So far, I have not found a deed, will or probate record transferring the land from John Thompson to William Thompson.

Since the father of my 3rd great grandfather, William T. Thompson is John Thompson (1797-1857), it is possible that my 4th great granfather, John Thompson is the original owner of this land. Until I find more records involving this land, I still have questions:

- Who is John Thompson?
- How did William Thompson acquire this land?

Thus, the research continues.

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 12, 2024
Burke,Missouri

My BURKE folder contains a photocopy and partial transcription of a deed where Elizabeth Burke purchases the South half of the southwest quarter of Section 34 in township 54 and range 36 in 1847 from Eli Randolph. This deed was recorded in my old genealogy software with the code Burke.MO.020.

Thanks to the new 'labs' experimental search feature on FamilySearch, it was easy to get an entire transcription for this deed.

Platte County Missouri
Deed Records, 1839-1895

Deed Book E 1847-1848
Film 988435 DGS 8197429

Image 257 of 409
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This indenture made this twenty fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven between Elihu H. Randolph of the first part and Elizabeth Burke of the second part both of the State of Mission and of Platte County Witnesseth that the said Elihu H. Randolph for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and sixty dollars to him in hand paid hath sold and by these presents doth convey all his right title and interest to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Platte County and State of Missouri , It being the South half of the South West quarter of Section No Thirty four in Township no fifty four and in Range No thirty six , and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell to the said Elizabeth Burke and binds himself his heirs and assigns forever to defend the right of the said tract of land to the said Elizabeth Burk and her heirs and assigns forever to have and hold the same together with all the appurtenances of whatsoever name thereunto belonging as witness my hand and seal
Elihu H. Randolph (seal)
Marthy Randolph (Seal)

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State of Missouri }
County of Platte }
Be it remembered that on this 29th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven before me William Turner a justice of the peace within and for the County of Platte personally appeared Elihu H Randolph and Marthy his wife who are known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed having acknowledged the same to be their act and deed as named therein She the said Marthy being by me first made acquainted with the contents of the foregoing instrument of writing and examined apart from her husband on said examination she acknowledged she executed the same relinquishing her dower right in the said land and tenements voluntarily and without compulsion or undue influence of her husband . Given under my hand this day and date above named Filed for Record Feb . 7 . 1848 William Turner J.P.

Missouri, Platte County. Deed records, 1839-1895. Film #988435 DGS 008197429. Elizabeth Burke, 25 Mar 1847; Vol, E: page 499 (image 257); digitized images, FamilySearch http://www.familysearch.org

E. H. Randolph
To
Deed
Eliz. Burke

This indenture made this twenty fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven between Elihu H. Randolph of the first part and Elizabeth Burke of the second part both of the State of Missouri and of Platte County Witnesseth that the said Elihu H. Randolph for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and sixty dollars to him in hand paid hath sold and by these presents doth convey all his right title and interest to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Platte County and State of Missouri. It being the South half of the South West quarter of Section No. thirty four in Township No. fifty four and in Range No thirty six. And by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell to the said Elizabeth Burke and binds himself his heirs and assigns forever to defend the right of the said tract of land to the said Elizabeth Burke and her heirs and assigns forever to have and hold the same together with all the appurtenances of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging as witness my hand and seal

Elihu H. Randolph (Seal)
Martha Randolph (Seal)

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State of Missouri }
County of Platte }

Be it remembered that on this 29th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven before me William Turner a justice of the peace within and for the County of Platte personally appeared Elihu H. Randolph and Martha his wife who are known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed having acknowledged the same to be their act and deed as named therein. She the said Martha being by me first made acquainted with the contents of the foregoing instrument of writing and examined apart from her husband on said examination she acknowledged she executed the same relinquishing her dower right in the said land and tenements voluntarily and without constraint or undue influence of her husband. Given under my hand this day and date above named
Filed for record Feb. 7, 1848

William Turner J. P.

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 13, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

Courier Tribune
(Seneca, KS)
9 Jan 1941
Continued from April 6, 2024

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Draft Order
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1347 Floyd Lenard Coo
1348 Robin Rice Domer:
1349 Cecil George
1351 Albert L. Kuenzi
1352 Charles Henry Adams
1353 Claude A. Hubert
1354 Lester Lloyd Baumgartner
1355 Lawrence Gilbert White
1356 Otto Omer King
1357 Edward George Lierz
1358 Arvelt Edward Raybourn
1359 Albert Philip Eisenbarth
1360 Loren Marion Strahm
1361 Henry Joseph Mohlman
1362 Gale Haworth
1363 Bernard Clement Holthaus
1364 Clinton B. Hash
1365 William Harlow Palmer
1366 Ralph Edwin Most
1367 Harry Alvin Strahm
1368 Ferdinand William Werner
1369 Keith Harriman Eno
1370 Bertram Philip Brendell
1371 Garland L. Luellen
1372 Benedict William Schmidt
1373 Henry Thomas Clay
1374 Charles Peter Lierz
1375 Paul Leonard Winkler
1376 Celestine Wm. Broxterman
1377 Bernard Francis Rusche

1378 John Conger Clough
1379 Frederick Michael Seltzer
1380 Henry F. Tegtmeier, Jr.
1381 Bernard Gerald Steinlage
1382 Gale Edward Gakle
1383 Howard Earl Bigalow
1384 Vincent Henry Lierz
1385 Frederick A. Reinecke
1386 Chas. R. Jerome Jr.
1387 Rollen Aaron Nichols
1388 Howard Bartels Harms
1389 Lawrence Arnold Clay
1390 Terrance Hurst Cox
1391 Charles Maurice Wempe
1392 Joseph Hundley
1393 Evert William Meeker.

1394 Aubrey Wilson Kerl
1395 Donald, Ellsworth Tibbets
1396 Raymond Henry Dague
1397 Ray Elmer Leman
1398 Joseph W. Wenger
1399 Paul Lester Furst
1400 Lester Dale Weikle
1401 Vincent F. Crevier
1402 Forrest Smith Ayers
1403 Aloysius Francis Krogman
1404 Vincent Joseph. Ronnebaum
1405 Alfred Joseph Hammes
1406 Carl Edwin Staehli
1407 Edmund John Fangman
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1809 Raymond Joe Barnes
1410 Aloysius Albert Deters
1411 Edwin Joseph Haverkamp

1412 Vernie Campbell
1413 Joseph Daniel Rettele
1414 Harvey Andy Rokey

1415 Alfin Floyd Clemens
1416 Francis Ralph Stuke
1417 Albert Joseph Ketter
1418 Brice Edwin Peck
1420 William Alvis Sale
1421 Suitbert V. Stallbaumer
1422 Lawrence A. Dalinghaus
1423 Peter Alvin Dick
1424 John Patrick Baker
1425 Henson Samuel Ash
1426 Leonard Mathias Barker
1427 Norvin Lee Griffith
1428 Charley Henry Levings
1429 Aloysius Joseph Boeding
1430 William F. Woltkamp
1431 Felıx Waiter Rilinger
1432 Leonard Morris Talley
1433 Guy N. Cunningham
1434 Sylvester Wenzel Nordhus
1435 Sylvester John Stallbaumer
1436 George Harold Richard
1437 William Homer Avers
1438 Louis Albert Haug
1439 Andrew Galen Moynagh
1440 Floyd Melvin Moore
1441 John A. Troxell
1442 Philip A. Smith
1413 James Eugene Richard
1444 Leroy Francis Becker
1445 Merle Leon Gugelman
1446 Joseph Henry Nolte
1447 William J. Knapp
1448 Arthur Emile Dodd
1449 Cletus Henry Wichman
1450 James Louis Halfen

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 14, 2024
SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night Again –

Time For Some More Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) Are you experimenting with Artifical Intelligence (AI) for genealogy and family history? What have you learned so far? What have you done to date? What GPTs have you used? What results have you had – good or bad?

I am a regular user of one AI tool: Sidebar. I use this tool to transcribe newspaper articles. Even though I have to proofread the transcription, it is still faster and easier to use the AI tool than to transcribe the articles myself.

While I'm not actively using other AI tools at the present, the use of those tools is embedded in some aspects of FamilySearch and Ancestry. The new 'labs' experimental search is likely using AI technology to transcribe those deeds and wills. According to a RootsTech 2024 presentation by Crista Cowa, Ancestry is using AI technology to pull newspaper articles above and beyond the obituaries.

I previously posted about some of my experiences using AI.

- AI (November 13, 2023)
- AI – Fiction (Feb. 19, 2024)
- Ancestry Newspapers (March 6, 2024)
- AI and Images (March 11, 2024)
- Experimental Search (July 20, 2023)

AI Newspaper Hints

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 15, 2024
Crawford,Ohio

Did you attend RootsTech 2024 in person OR virtually? If so, you are likely aware that many of the genealogy sites revealed new AI generated tools. One of those announcements was Ancestry's new newspaper search. (See my Ancestry Newspapers post)

While this site allows searching these newspapers, they are also showing up as Ancestry hints. While researching the family of Jacob Black, I encountered one of those hints that identifies many of his children.

Notice in Partition.

MARY REED, John Reed, Lydia M. Foreman, Jacob Foreman, Adeline Piles, Daniel Piles, Thomas Black, Jesse Black, Samuel Black, Perry Black, Martha Black, Marion Black and Charles Black, will take notice that a petition was filed against them on the 14th day of May, a. d. 1866, in the court of common pleas within and for the county of Darke and State of Ohio by Abram Caywood and Suzann Caywood, wife of the said Abram Caywood, and is now pending, wherein the said Suzann Caywood demands partition of the following real estate, situate in the county of Darke and State of Ohio, and being all of the south-west quarter of section thirty-four, (34) in township eight, (8), range three, (3) east: except thirty acres heretofore conveyed off of the west side of said quarter section by Jacob Black to John Black, containing one hundred and thirty acres of land more or less. And at the next term of said court, the said Abram Caywood and Suzann Caywood will apply for an order that partition may be made of said premises

ABRAM CAYWOOD,
& SUZANN CAYWOOD,
By FRIZELL & CALKINS,
Att'ys for said Petitioners.

May 16. 1866. n44.6w

"Notice in Partition," The Greenville Journal (Greenville, Ohio), 20 June 1866, page 4; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 18 March 2024).

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> ABRAM CAYWOOD,
> & SUZANN CAYWOOD,
> By Frizell & Calkins,
> May 16.1866. n44.6w

This petition for partitioning identifies the following people:

- Mary Reed and John Reed
- Lydia M. Foreman and Jacob Foreman
- Adeline PIles and Daniel Piles
- Thomas Black
- Jesse Black
- Samuel Black
- Perry Black
- Martha Black
- Marion Black
- Charles Black
- Susan Caywood and Abram Caywood

On the FamilySearch site, the Jacob Black [LZXB-W85] family included Lydia, Adeline, Thomas, Jesse, Samuel and Susan. The family also lists a Mary A. Black [LWNH-WBD]. This Mary Black is shown as having died in 1869 and has a husband named George Sebring.

The Find a Grave record for Jacob Black includes links to Find a Grave sites for 3 children: Mary Black Reed, Lydia Black Fourman and Adaline E. Pyles. The record for Mary A. Black Reed includes links to her husband, John Reed and their children: Milton, Nancy, Sarah, William and Levi. This Find a Grave record also indicates Mary A Black Reed died in 1889. Mary Black Reed is shown as the daughter of Frederick Black and Catherine Black on FamilySearch.

Based on the newspaper article, I

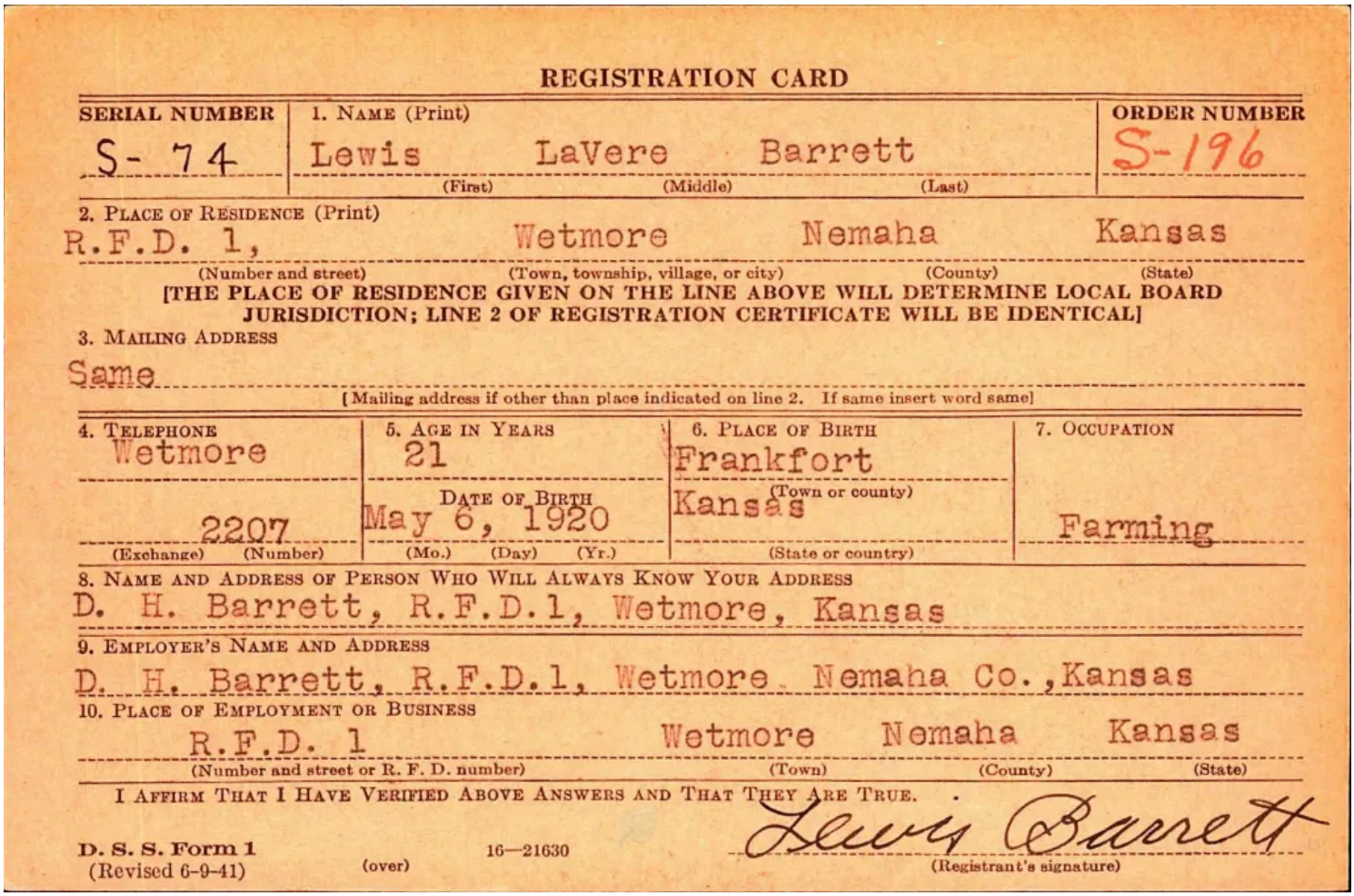
- added Jacob and Sarah (Crawford) Black as parents for Mary Black Reed
- uploaded an image of the newspaper article to Jacob Black and the children I've been able to identify – including Mary Black Reed
- added a source for the newspaper article to the profiles of Jacob Black and the identified children including Mary Black Reed
- Added a note to Jacob Black seeking information about the additional names: Samuel, Perry, Martha and Charles
- Added a note to Mary A Black about the possiblity that she was connected to the wrong parents

It is highly likely that I would have never found this 'notice to partition' article without Ancestry's new AI indexing of the newspapers. Thank you Ancestry for these additional resources!

Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 16, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

Lewis Barrett



REGISTRATION CARD

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)	ORDER NUMBER
S- 74	Lewis LaVere Barrett (First) (Middle) (Last)	S-196

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)
R.F.D. 1, Wetmore Nemaha Kansas
(Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)

[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]

3. MAILING ADDRESS
Same
[Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same]

4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS	6. PLACE OF BIRTH	7. OCCUPATION
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS
D. H. Barrett, R.F.D.1, Wetmore, Kansas

9. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
D. H. Barrett, R.F.D.1, Wetmore Nemaha Co., Kansas

10. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS
R.F.D. 1 Wetmore Nemaha Kansas
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.
Lewis Barrett
(Registrant's signature)

D. S. S. Form 1
(Revised 6-9-41) (over) 16—21630

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Oneida Methodist Ch8rch

The young peoples Sunday school class and teacher, Mrs. L. H. Davis had a pot luck dinner at the church Sunday, honoring Lynall Ball and Lewis Barrett, who soon will leave for the Army.

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Wetmore

Lewis Barret left saturday for an army camp in Arizona after a short furlough

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Wetmore

Mrs. Lewis Barrett received word form the Government Monday, that her husband S-Sgt. Barrett, was missing in action, since August 12. He was a nose gunner on a bomber. A letter was received by his wife, written the 11th of August, saying he was going out on a mission the next day. His wife was Blanche Love before her marriage and was married early last spring but has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Love, near Wetmore. Lewis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Barrett, who live west of town. He was sent to England about two months ago.

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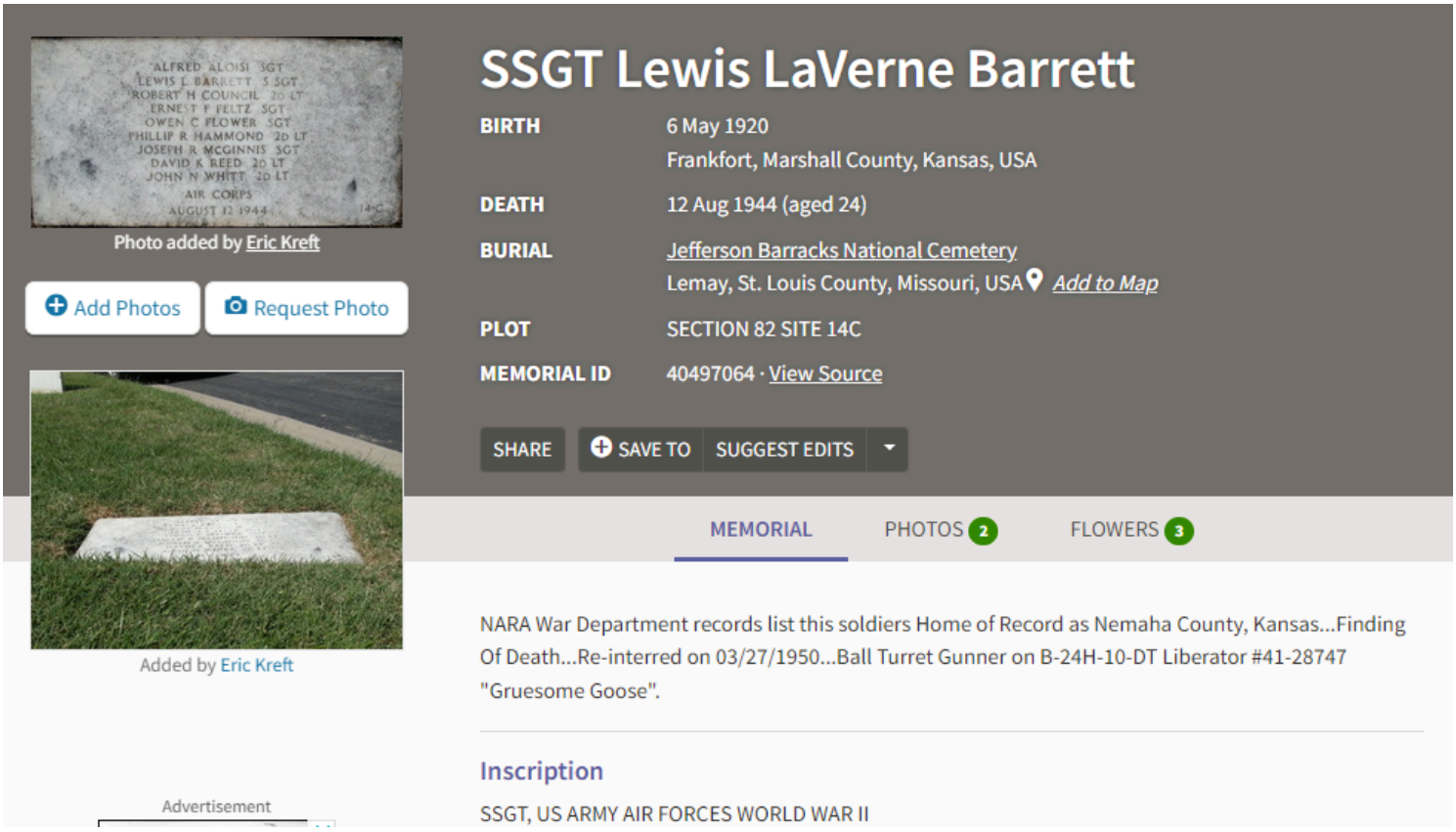
Honors to War Victim
Sgt. Lewis L. Barrett
Was Member of Plane
Crew-Group Burial This
Monday at a National
Cemetery

Services are still being held for the honored sons that Nemaha county lost in World War II.
At the National Cemetery at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, at 1:30 this Monday afternoon, final honors will be paid to Staff Sergeant Lewis L. Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Barrett of Wetmore.
S/Sgt. Barrett was listed as missing in August of 1944. He was a nose gunner on a B-24 and stationed in England. The plane went down over the North Sea. Remains of the crew were recovered, and the burial at the National cemetery today will be a group burial.
Those who were planning to attend from this area include Mrs. D. H. Barrett and Arthur Barrett, Wetmore; Joseph Barrett, Oneida; Mrs. George Barrett, Centralia; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cook, Topeka; Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Barrett and sons, Junction City; Clifford Barrett, Falls City. Cpl. George Barrett and Cpl. Raymond Chance will attend from Fort Knox, Kentucky.

The American Air Museum in Britain has a photograph of one of the [air crews that S-Sgt. Lewis L. Barrett served with](#).



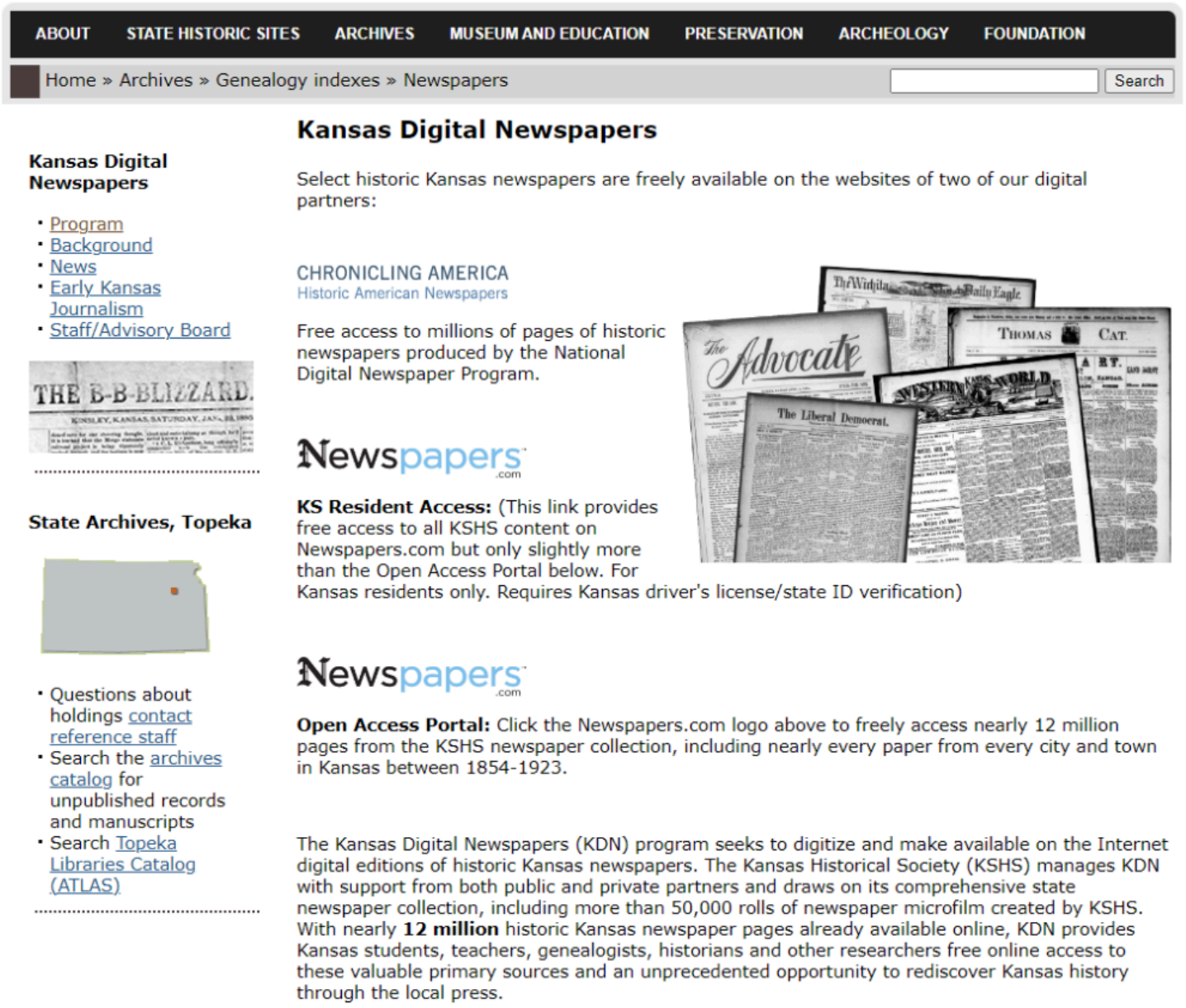
Microfilm

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 17, 2024
Currey,Kansas,Newspapers

Do you remember microfilm? Do you remember hand cranking the film to get to what you wanted to read? Or, do you remember the long row of microfilm cabinets storing all of that film.

If you have been lucky enough to venture to the Family History Library in Salt Lake or some of the other major genealogical libraries you may have even recently used microfilm.

But have you recently used microfilm to 'read' a newspaper? Living in Kansas, I have benefited from the large collection of newspapers in the collection of the Kansas State Historical Society. While I have had the opportunity to read some of those old newspapers in print, most of their collection is on microfilm. With the advent of digitization of newspapers, the historical society has digitized their holding thru 1923 on Newspapers.com. (See: Kansas Digital Newspapers)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Open Access Portal: Click the Newspapers.com logo above to freely access nearly 12 million pages from the KSHS newspaper collection, including nearly every paper from every city and town in Kansas between 1854-1923.
The Kansas Digital Newspapers (KDN) program seeks to digitize and make available on the Internet digital editions of historic Kansas newspapers. The Kansas Historical Society (KSHS) manages KDN with support from both public and private partners and draws on its comprehensive state newspaper collection, including more than 50,000 rolls of newspaper microfilm created by KSHS. With nearly 12 million historic Kansas newspaper pages already available online, KDN provides Kansas students, teachers, genealogists, historians and other researchers free online access to these valuable primary sources and an unprecedented opportunity to rediscover Kansas history through the local press.

While they are working to get newer editions digitized, copyright restrictions are limiting some of that work. Thus, their microfilm holdings are still an important resource.

My husband was recently ‘reading’ a roll of microfilm of the *Kensington Mirror* from 1948 looking for articles regarding his parents, their siblings and families. In the process, he came across several ‘articles’ regarding CURREY family members. Knowing that my great grandfather was a CURREY, he clipped several of those articles and shared them with me.

One of those clippings was an obituary for James Hiram Currey who died in Kensington, Kansas in 1949.

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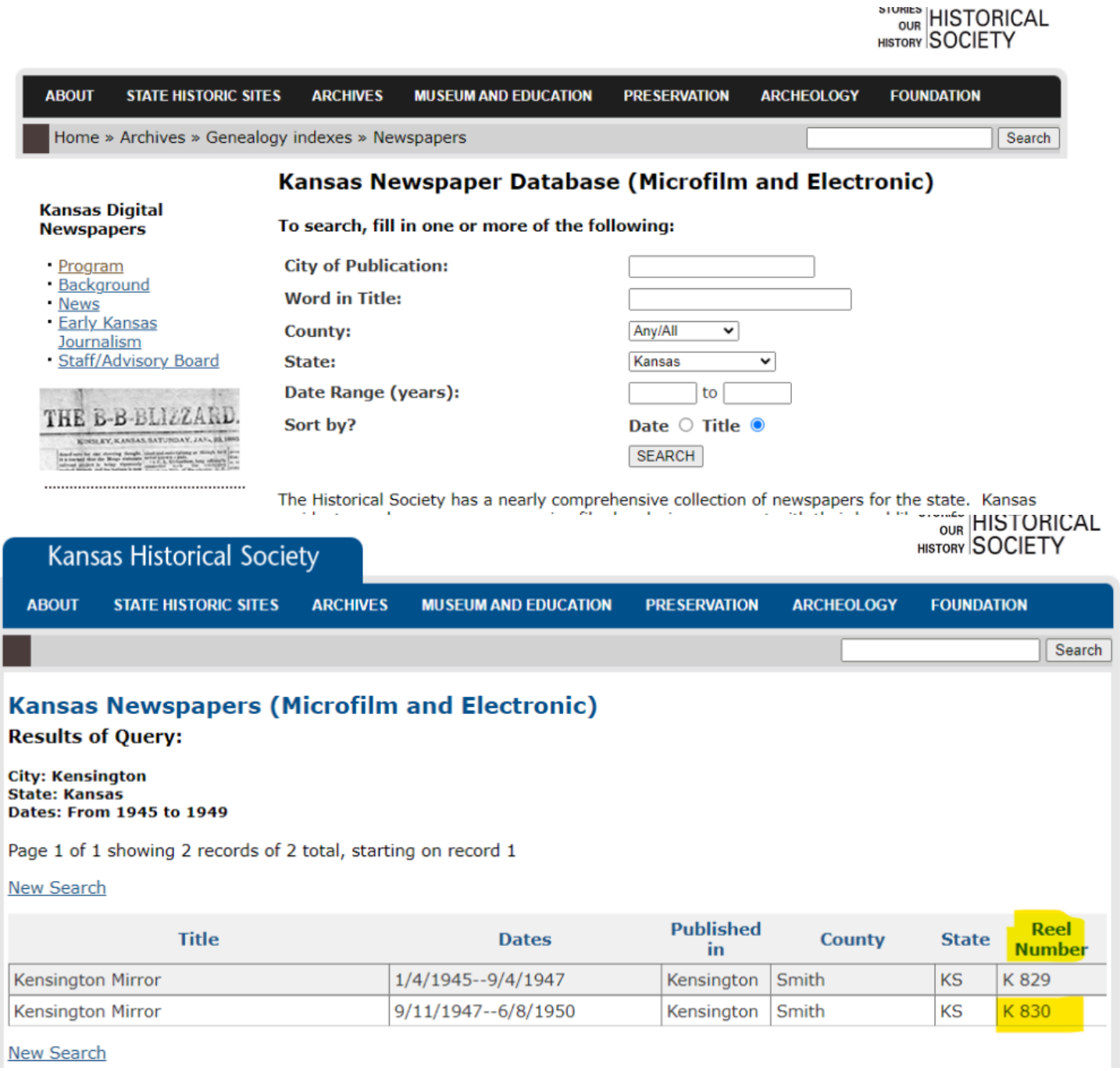
James Hiram Currey is a second cousin four times removed to me. I believe our common ancestor is Thomas Currey of Adams County, Ohio. James' line goes thru Thomas' son William C. Currey and his wife Hannah Adkins while my line goes thru Hiram Mirick Currey and his wife Sarah Reagan. Since I tend to research descendants of my ancestors, I happen to have James Hiram Currey in my RootsMagic file.

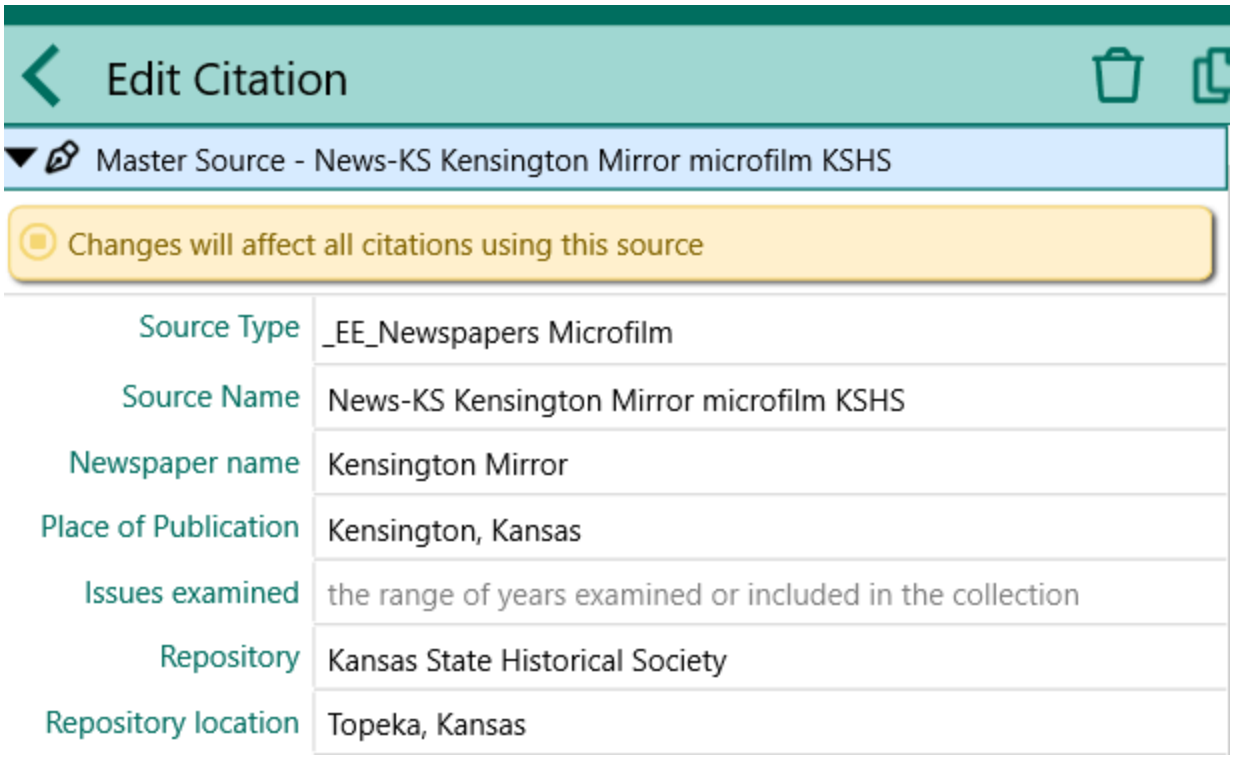
Thanks to my husband, I now have an obituary to add as a source for James Hiram Currey.

While hmy husband's file name included the name of the paper and date of the paper, it did not include the microfilm number – or – even any indication that the image came from microfilm. After verifying that the image was from a microfilm copy of the paper, I used the Kansas State Historical Society's search of their newspaper database to figure out the number for the roll of microfilm.



Since the name of the file was “KS_KensingtonMIrror_1948-2 Feb 19_p1_Jams HIramCurrey.pdf”, I knew the obituary was found in the 1948 issue of the Kensington Mirror. Thus, it was on roll number K 830.

I then used my RootsMagic program and the source templates to add a source for the microfilm version of the Kensington Mirror.



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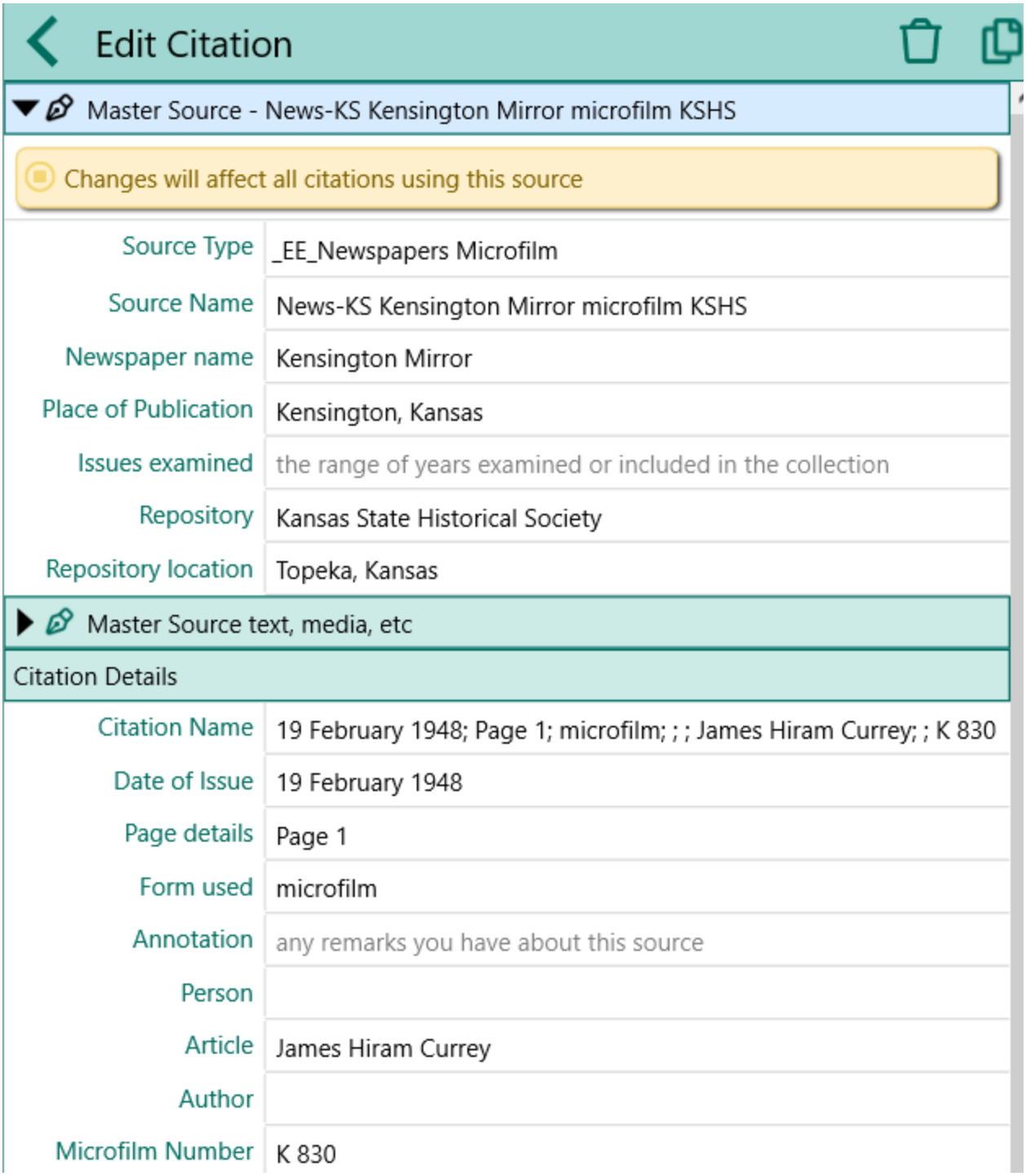

That created the following citation for the source:

> "James Hiram Currey", Kensington Mirror, (Kensington, Kansas), 19 February 1948, Page 1, microfilm K 830; Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.

Now that I have the clipping cited in RootsMagic, I can add it along with the image to the profile for James Hiram Currey on FamilySearch.

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While many don't take advantage of these newspapers because they are on microfilm, they contain a wealth of family information.

Enos Currey

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 18, 2024
Currey,Kansas

Do you ever do research ‘backwards’? In other words, do you ever have a source and then try to figure out who it relates to?

When my husband brought me clippings from the Kensington, Kansas newspaper, that is exactly what I had to do. My husband was aware that one of my ancestral surnames was CURREY. Thus, he clipped several articles in the 1948-1950 issues of the Kensington Mirror for various people with the CURREY surname.

Knowing that my ancestors did not live in Smith county, my husband only clipped them thinking I might find them interesting. He did not think I was actually related to any of these CURREY family members. Ironically, the father of one of those in the clippings is Enos Currey (1820-1901), my first cousin 5 times removed.

Thus, I had to figure out whether the other clippings were associated with family members of Enos Currey. One of those clippings was a grocery store ad in the March 25, 1948 issue of the Kensington Mirror.

CURREY'S HGF STORES MARKET

Easter Specials

Fresh Asparagus ½ lb.	28c	Grapefruit 10-lb. Bag	45c
Crisp Pascal Celery Pound	12c	Crisp Sold Head Lettuce Pound	13c
Washington Winesap Apples 2 pounds,	19c	California Carrots 2 Bunches	27c

Phillips Condensed Soups	2 cans,	25c
Texsun Grapefruit Juice,	46-oz. can,	19c
Harvest Gem White Cream Corn,	2 No. 2 cans,	35c
Flotill Catsup,	14-oz. Bottle,	19c
Lee Rolled Oats,	3-lb. package,	33c
Lee Peanut Butter,	1-lb. Jar.	39c
Lee Black Pepper,	8-oz. can,	47c
Tuna Fish (Light meat)	7-oz. can,	43c
Lee Beans with Bacon,	2 cans,	29c
Vel,	3 large packages,	99c
Blue Barrel Soap,	2 Bars,	29c
Tide,	3 large packages,	$1.04
Ovell Ready Butter Milk Biscuits.	2 7½-oz. cans,	27c

Frozen Fruits, Vegetables, Fish and Ice Cream.
We have Certified Cobbler, Red Warba and Early Ohio Seed Potatoes

Currey's HGF Market

PHONE 60.

Another clipping from the January 5, 1950 issue of the Kensington Mirror indicates that an Enos Currey sold the HGF Market.

Buys Currey HGF Market
A change in our Main street business circle was culminated last press day when Enos Currey sold his HGF Market to Hank Kusel who assumed charge of the business the first day of the new year

Enos, who has conducted the store the past five years, informs that at present he has no definite plans to divulge. He will assist the new owner in the store for a couple weeks.

The new owner, Mr Kusel and wife, have many friends here, both being natives of the vicinity. The family will move to this city from Smith Center within the next few days and will occupy the Louis Mann residence

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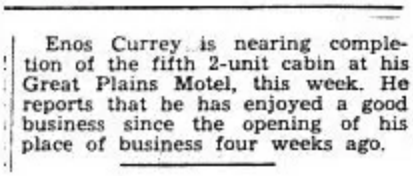

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The 1950 census supports Enos Currey of Kensington being the owner of a motel, otherwise known as a tourist court.

Currey, Enos A	Head	W	M	38	Mrd	Kansas		Wk			60	Manager	Tourist Court	O	790
Eleanor P	Wife	W	F	36	Mar	Pennsylvania	093	H	yes		50	Helper	Tourist Court	NP	790

Hoping to find a digitized obituary, I searched Newspapers.com site for a 1976 obituary of Enos Currey and found one in the Amarillo Globe Times in Texas.

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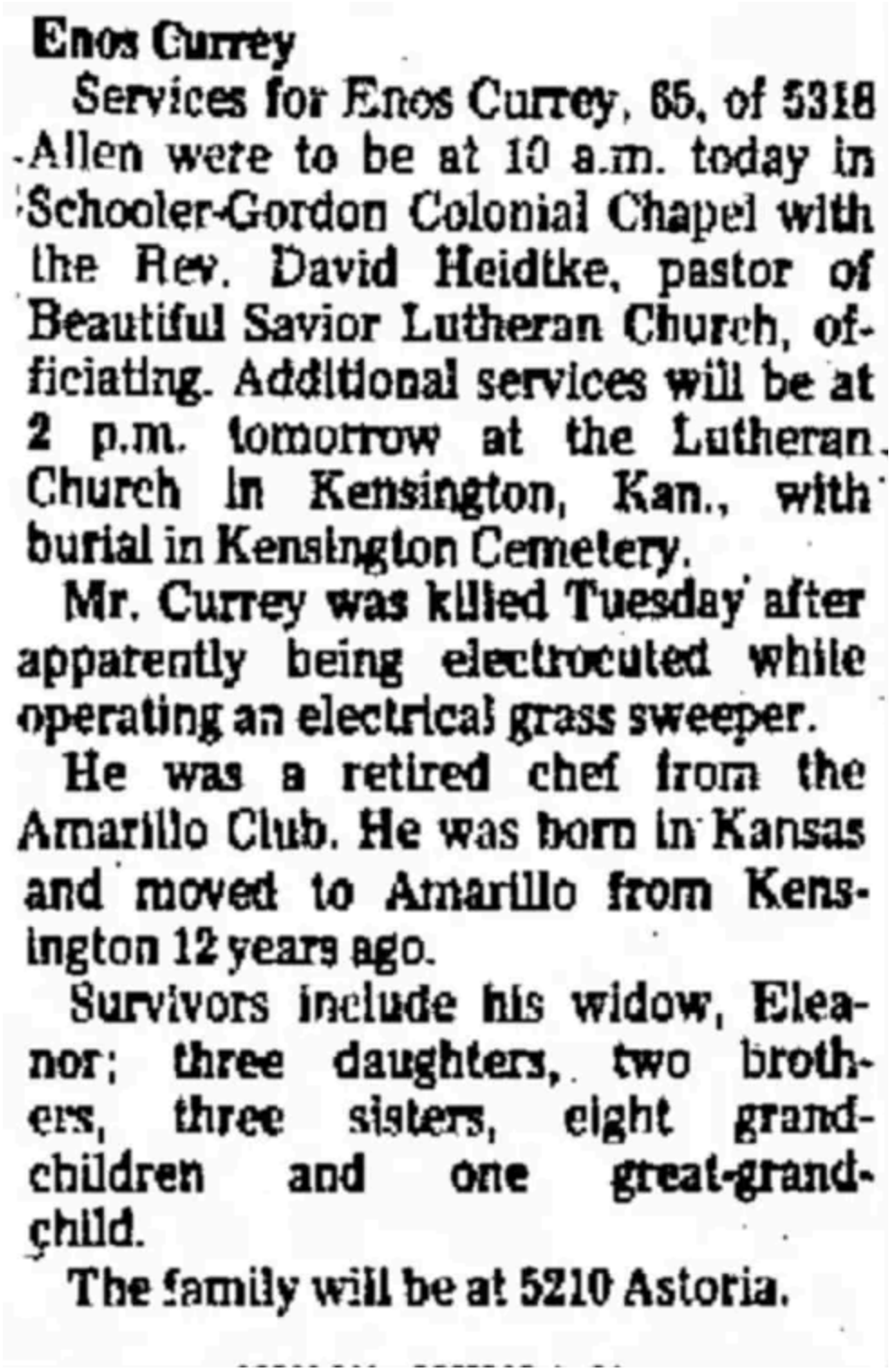
"Enos Currey," Amarillo Globe-Times (Amarillo, Texas), 16 September 1976, page 19; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 5 April 2024).



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Thanks to my husband saving me a few newspaper clippings, I have learned quite a bit about my third cousin, 3 times removed, Enos Currey.

Enos Currey

1. **Enos Arthur Currey** was born on 30 Aug 1911 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States.[1–3] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1920.[4] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1925.[5] Enos lived in

Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1930.[6] In 1940 he worked for Anderson Boarding Company in Climax, Lake, Colorado.[1] He lived in El Dorado, Butler, Kansas, United States in 1940.[7] Enos registered for the military draft on 16 Oct 1940 in Smith, Kansas, United States.[1] He lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1947.[8] He lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1950.[9] Enos sold land being the HOF Market to in Jan 1950 in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States.[10] In Jun 1950 he was a the owner of the Great Plains Motel in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States.[11] He lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1953.[12] Enos was buried on 17 Sep 1976 at Saint John Lutheran Cemetery in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States.[3,13]

Eleanor Currey was born on 17 Sep 1913 in Pennsylvania.[3,14] She lived in El Dorado, Butler, Kansas, United States in 1940.[7] She lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1950.[9] Eleanor lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1953.[12] She died on 24 Oct 1998 at the age of 85.[3] She was buried at Saint John Lutheran Cemetery in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States.[3]

Endnotes:

1. “U.S. WWII Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947,” database, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 1 April 2024), Enos Arthur Currey.

2. U.S., James Currey, 18 December 1909; database with images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 1 April 2024). Original Source: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

3. Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : viewed online 3 April 2024), memorial for Enos Arthur Currey (1911-1979), Find a Grave Memorial no. 55498611, created by Terry L. Koinzan-Clingman, citing Saint John Lutheran Cemetery, Kensington, Smith County, Kansas; accompanying photograph by KEH, Enos Arthur Currey.

4. 1920 U.S. Census, Smith County Kansas, population schedule, Valley Township, Smith County, Kansas, ED 215, Sheet 4B, Image 8 of 9, family 93, James H Currey; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 1 April 2024)

5. 1855-1925 Kansas Census, Kansas, Kansas State Census, Valley Township, Smith County, Kansas, page 12, Image 14 of 39, line 1, Jim H Currey; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 1 April 2024)

6. 1930 U.S. Census, Smith County, Kansas, population schedule, Valley Township, Smith County, Kansas, ED 28, Sheet 3B, Image 6 of 8, family 68, James H Currey; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 1 April 2024)

7. 1940 U.S. Census, Butler County, Kansas, population schedule, El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas, ED 8-17, Sheet 8A, Image 16 of 37, line 5, Enos Currey; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 3 April 2024)

8. Kansas, City and County Census Records, 1919-1961, Enos Currey, 1947; database with images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 5 April 2024). Original Source: Kansas State Board of Agriculture.

9. 1950 U.S. Census, Smith County Kansas, population schedule, Kensington, Smith County, Kansas, ED 924, Sheet 18, Image 19 of 26, LIne 5, Enos A Currey; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 3 April 2024)

10. Buys Currey HGF Market. Kensington Mirror, (Kensington, Kansas), 5 January 1950; Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.

11. “Local News”, Kensington Mirror, (Kensington, Kansas), 8 June 1950; Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.

12. Kansas, City and County Census Records, 1919-1961, Enos Currey, 1953; database with images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com).

13. “Enos Currey,” Amarillo Globe-Times (Amarillo, Texas), 16 September 1976, page 19; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 5 April 2024).

14. Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : viewed online 1 April 2024), memorial for Eleanor P. Currey (1913-1998), Find a Grave Memorial no. 55498610, created by Terry L. Koinzan-Clingman, citing Saint John Lutheran Cemetery, Kensington, Smith County, Kansas; accompanying photograph by KEH, Eleanor P. Currey.

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 19, 2024
Burke,Missouri

My BURKE folder contains another deed for Elizabeth Burke. In this deed, she is selling land to Mathew M. Blan (her brother).

Platte County, Missouri
Deed records, 1839-1895

Deed records v. P 1859-1861
Film 988446 DGS 8486857

Vol. P page 323 (image 170)
Know all men by these presents that I
Elizabeth Burke of the county of Platte in the state of Missouri
have this day for and in consideration of the sum of thirty
two hundred dollars to the said Elizabeth Burke in hand paid by
Mathew M. Blan of the county of Atchison in the Territory of
Kansas granted, bargained and sold and by those presents do
grant bargain and sell unto the said Mathew M. Blan the
following described tracts or parcels of land situated
in the county of Platte in the state of Missouri that is to
say the east half of the south west quarter of section thirty
four (34) in township fifty four (54) of range thirty six (36) containing
eighty acres to have and to hold the premises hereby conveyed
with all the rights privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging
on in any wise appertaining unto the said Mathew M. Blan his
heirs and assigns forever. As I the said Elizabeth Burke hereby
covenanting to and with the said Mathew M. Blan his heirs and
assigns for her selft her heirs executors and administrators (B) to
warrant and defend the premises hereby conveyed against the
claim of every person whatsoever in witness whereby I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 16th day of March AD 1860
Elizabeth A. Burk (seal)

State of Missouri
County of Platte SS
Be it remembered that Elizabeth A. Burk
who is personally known to the undersigned a justice of the peace
within and for said county to be the person whose name is subscribed
to the within deed as a party thereto this day appeared before
me and acknowledged that she executed and delivered the
same as her voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes
therein contained. Given under my hand this 16 day of March AD 1860
A. G. Smith, J. P.

Filed for record April 21st recorded April 23rd AD 1860
W C Remington Recorder

Missouri, Platte County. Deed records, 1839-1895. Film #988446 DGS 8486857. Elizabeth Burke, 21 Apr 1860; Vol. P: Page 323 (Image 170); digitized images, FamilySearch http://www.familysearch.org

E Burke
To
M M Blan
Deed

Know all men by these presents that I Elizabeth Burke of the county of Platte in the State of Missouri have this day for and in consideration of the sum of Thirty four hundred dollars to the said Elizebeth Burke in hand paid by Mathew M Blan of the county of Atcherson in the Tirritory of Kansas granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Mathew M Blan the the following bacts described tracts or parcels of land situated in the the county of Platte in the State of Missouri that is to say the East half of the south west quarter of section thirty four(34) in township fifty four(54) of range thirty six(36) containing eighty acres to hav and to hold the premises hereby conveyed with all the rights privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said Mathew M Blan his heirs and assigns forever) And I the said Elizebeth Burke hereby covenanting to and with the said Mathew M Blan his heirs and assigns for her self her heirs executors and administrators) That to warrant and defend the premises hereby conveyed against the claim of every person whatsoever in witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 16th day of March AD 1860

Elizabeth A Burk (Seal)

State of Missouri }
County of Platte } ss Be it remembered that Elizebeth A Burke who is personally known to the undersigned a Justice of the Peace within and for said county to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within deed as a party thereto this day appeared before me and acknowledged that she executed and delivered the same as her voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein contained Given under my hand this 16th day of March AD 1860

A J Smith J. P.

Filed for record April 21st recorded April 23d AD 1860

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Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
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1451 Charles Casper Bauer
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14,53 Loren Henry Carpenter.
1454 Bernard James Heideman
1455 Judd Allen Austin
1456 Donald Eugene Little
1457 LeRoy August Ritchie
1458 Joy Lee Meyer
1459 Wm Wesley Ralston
1460 Freeman Johnathan Davis
1461 Marvin Mefford Brammer
1462 Karl Peter Werner
1463 Leo Anthony Mueting
1464 Edwin Frank Brucken
1465 Walter Leo Hess
1466 Elmer Bernard Brinker
1457 Elmer Woodrow Lindeen
1468 Albert Louis W Rogers
1469 Bernard A. Niehues, Jr
1470 Lawrence Dale Freel
1471 Emil C. Strahm
1472 Walter Plattner
1473 Vern Bernard Melcher
1474 Floyd Wessel Clarkson
1475 Andrew Wm Broxterman
1476 John Peter Waller
1477 Callistus Jacob. Kramer
1478 Paul Fangman
1479 Edwin T. Roggenkamp
1480 Ross Edgar George
1481 Zeno Merlin Miller
1482 Leonard Sylvester Becker
1483 Thomas Bernard Wichman
1484 Elmer Taft Keck
1485 Leo Henry Buessing
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1487 Archie Edward Armstrong
1488 Tim Brunner
1489 Asa Robert Campbell
1490 Wm. Audry S[ri]te
1491 Frank Roscoe Fidler
1492 Mathias Christian Rochel
1493 Arthur Randolph Barrett
1494 Peter Wm. Schmits
1495 Roy Welcame Moore
1496 Glen Wesely Norre
1497 Clarence Wiaren Feck
1498 Lawrence August Weyer

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1500 Wm. James Hopper
1501 Henry Armond Bachand
1502 Vincent Peter Koch
1503 Carl Fred Schmelzle
1504 Edwin Levicent Kill
1505 Otis Kenneth Kooser
1506 Lyle Eugene Bennett
1507 Nathan Leonard Allison
1508 Charles Francis Koch
1509 Rolin Baldwin Barrett
1510 Klenn Oran Alexander
1511 Donald Jefferson Kehler
1512 George Irving Althouse Jr.
1513 Leo Bernard Tangeman
1514 Charles Wilbur Nichols
1515 Harold Ambrose Davis
1516 Donald Joseph Winkler
1517 Ivan Reuben Strahm
1518 Wm. Raymond Karnowski
1519 Donald Lebert Godbout
1520 Dale Franklin Barrett
1521 Loren Dale Cook
1522 Clyde Clinton Rucker
1523 Raymond Monroe Chandler
1524 Roy Bunce Palmer
1525 Arthur Merle Usher
1526 Richard Harold Potter
1527 Rolland Frank Clarkson
1528 Rex Arthur Campfield
1529 Lawrence A. Mueting
1530 Albert Charles Lafond
1531 Harold Earl Leedy
1532 Walter Francis Clelland
1533 Melvin Albert Johnson
1534 Paul Joseph Stallbaumer
1535 Virgil Evan Brown
1536 Clark Merritt Reece
1537 Butler Bennard Hedrick
1538 Mell D. Kennedy
1539 Andrew Julius Haverkamp
1540 Dale Leroy Mishler
1541 Melvin Wm. Brunner
1542 Raphael Howard Sneed
1543 Lawrence Jacob Schurman
1544 Philip Henry Huerter
1545 Charley Madison Frey J
1546 Andrew Jackson Crane
1547 Orville Edwin Bell
1548 Vilas Darl Smith
1549 John Samuel Graney
1550 Russell Vaughn Collins

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 21, 2024
SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night Again –

Time For Some More Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) What was your best genealogy research achievement this past month? Tell us about it – what you achieved, and how does it affect your 2024 goals?

Since I tend to share my research in my blog, I looked back at my blog posts for April. From that review, I would have to pick my STEELE research as my 'best achievement' for the past month. This research was highlighted in the following posts:

- Friday Find – James Steele deed
- Margaret Steel Garriott
- Another Son

All of this research may help with my research of David Franklin Ralston and Hannah Barr.

Henry

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 22, 2024
Missouri

Do you have slave owners in your tree? I wish that I could say that I don't, but I do have a few. Thus, when I come across a document identifying a slave, I feel obligated to share it. Below is a deed where Matthew M. Bland grants freedom to a slave named Henry — at the cost of $1000. I have no idea who paid the $1000 but that would have been a lot of money in 1855!

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M. M. Bland
To deed
Manusituate
Henry
Know all men by these presents that I Mathew M. Bland
of the County of Platte and State of Missouri hath this
day for and in consideration of the sum of one thous
and dollars to me in hand paid manumit[ates] and set
free and by these presents do manumit and set free one
negro boy named Henry owned by me said Henry is of
a Black color twenty eight years of age five feet eight
inches high with his shoes off and a sear by bruise on
the corner part of the left wrist and I do by these presents
as fully and perfectly set free said Henry to all intense
and purposes as if said Henry had been born free and I do
hereby release all right title interest claim and property
which I now have in and to said Boy Henry
Given under my hand and seal
this 17th day of March A. D . 1855 .
Attest Mathew M. Bland (seal)
State of Missouri
County of Platte ⎬ SS
Be it Remembered that at the March
Term of the Platte Circuit Court held at Platte City on

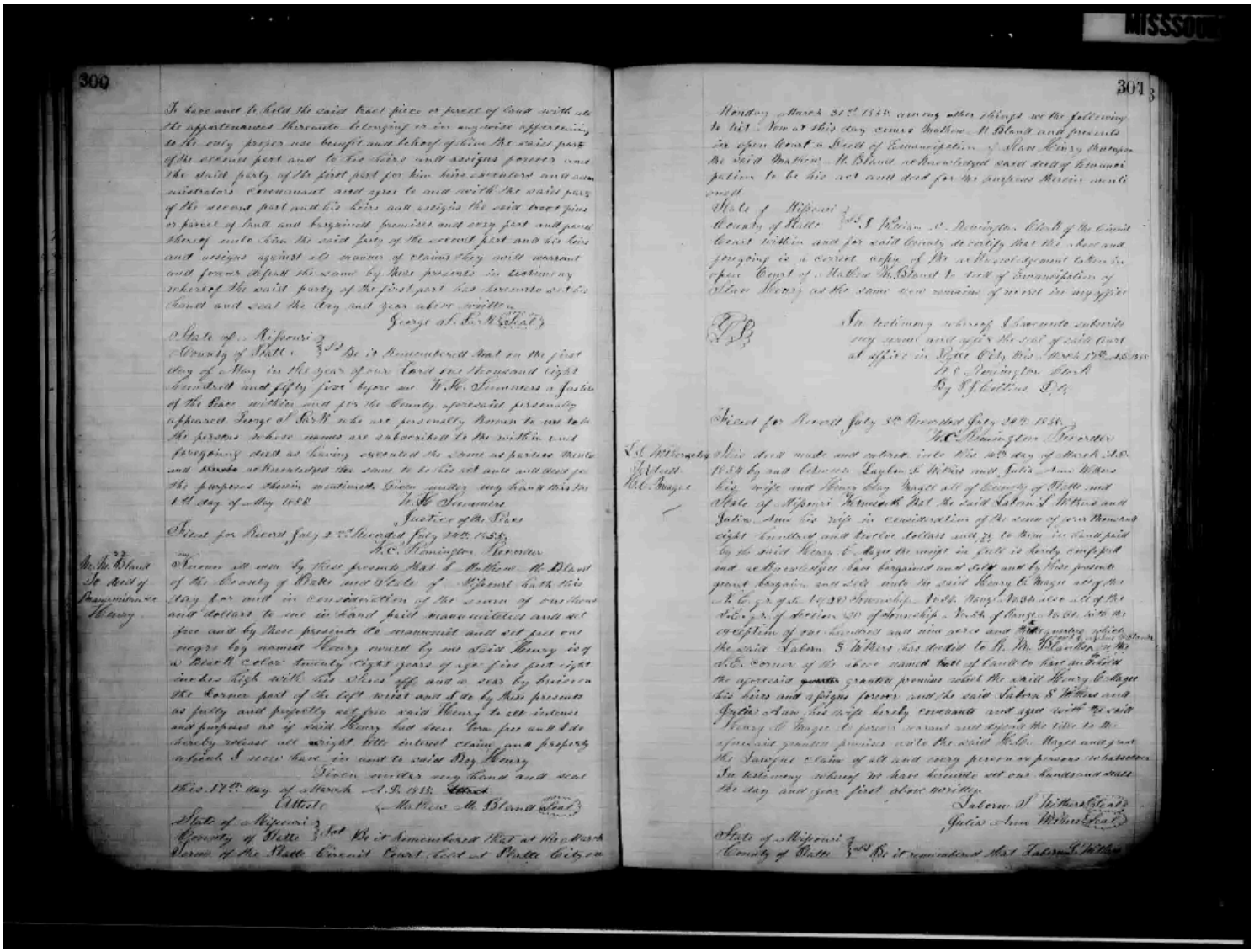
page 301 Monday March 31st 1855 , among other things we the following
to wit Now at this day comes Mathew M Bland and presents
in open Court a Deed of Emancipation ofslave Henry thereupon
the said Mathew M. Bland acknowledged said deed of Emance
pation to be his act and deed for the purposes therein menti
oned
State of Missouri ⎬
County of Ralls ⎬ SS
I William C Remington Clerk of the Circuit
Court within and for said County do certify that the above and f
foregoing is a correct copy of the acknowledgement taken in
open Court of Mathew B. Bland to deed of Emancipation of
Slave Henry as the same now remains of record in my office ℗

In testimony whereof I have unto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of said Court
at office in Platte City this March 17th A. D . 1855 .

W C Remington Clerk
By P. J. Collins DCC

Filed for Record July 3rd Recorded July 24th 1855
W. S. Remington Recorder

Missouri, Platte County. Deed records, 1839-1895. Film #988442 DGS 8486854. Mathew M Bland, 1855; Vol. L: pages 300-301; digitized images, FamilySearch http://www.familysearch.org : viewed online 11 April 2024.



Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 23, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

Bernard A. Becker

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Corporal Bernard Becker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J. Becker is stationed at Sheppard Field, Tex. Duties connected with troops movement brought him to Ft. Leavenworth recently and he was able to have a short visit home.

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25 Jun 1942
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Corporal Bernard Becker, Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas, came Tuesday evening to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J. Becker. Bernard has a 15-day furlough.

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Ed. J. Becker received word from his son, Sgt. Bernard Becker last week that he has been sent to Las Vegas, Nevada, where he will receive training as an aerial gunner. His new address is Student Det Class 12-46, AFGS, Las Vegas, Nevada. Bernard has been stationed at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas, and has been troop train supervisor several months.

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No Direct Word Received from S/Sgt. Bernard Becker

Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Becker have received no authentic information regarding their son, Bernard, staff sergeant and radio man on a bomber and reported missing since Sept. 6. Mr. and Mrs. Becker had learned however from relatives of members of Bernard's crew, that there are German prisoners of war also that the navigator and bombardier have returned to their base in England. All of this information is encouraging to the Becker family and they are hoping they may soon have word of their own son.

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Still Listed as Missing

AFTER 14. MONTHS TIME
S/Sgt. Bernard Becker

Retained on Missing
List By Officials

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Becker, Seneca, have received word from the Adjutant's office, Washington, D. C., that their son, S/Sgt. Bernard A. Becker, is to be continued in the status of "missing in action." He has been missing since Sept. 6, 1943 in the European area.

According to law, the case of each person who has been missing in action for 12 months, is reviewed by the War Department, and in most cases, at least in this area, the soldier or sailor has been declared legally dead. This conclusion was not made in the case of Bernard Becker, staff sergeant and ball turret gunner aboard a B-17 Flying Fortress. The bomber was lost south of Paris, France, while returning from a bombing mission to Stuttgart, Germany, on September 6th of last year.

A recent letter to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Becker, Seneca, from J. A. Ulio, stated that all information concerning S/Sgt. Becker was carefully reviewed and considered and an official determination was made as of September 7, 1944, continuing him in the status of missing in action.

This information added hope to Mr. and Mrs. Becker's belief that their son is still alive. They believe him to be somewhere in France, perhaps with underground forces.

The office of the Adjutant General further informed Mr. and Mrs. Becker that they would receive immediate notification of any change in their son's status.

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Seneca Flier Listed Lost After Two Year Wait

War Department Notifies Mr: and Mrs. Ed. Becker Of Son, Bernard's Death

's/Sgt. 'Bernard Becker, radio operator and gunner on a B-17 Bomber, reported missing after September 6, 1943 is now declared dead by the War Department of the United States, according to word received about ten days ago in Seneca. For more than a year longer than usual, Bernard was retained on the missing list because there was no evidence to indicate otherwise.

The news came as quite a shock to Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Becker even though they had received no definite information on which to base their hopes that their son was alive outside of the fact that one of the crew members said he had seen Bernard alight on the ground after leaving the plane by parachute, talked to him and had seen him pick up his chute and disappear in a wooded area near where he landed. This information came to the Beckers from their son, Edmund, who talked to the other flier.

Last year in September, a year after Bernard was reported missing, the government notified MrMr. and Mrs. Becker that he was being retained on that status. Bernard's plane went down some 60 miles Southeast of Paris. Wednesday, Mr and Mrs. Becker received the Purple Heart Award in recognition of their son's sacrifice, also a citation from President Truman.

Bernard was near his 26 th birthday when reported lost two years ago. He was born and raised in Seneca, attended Sts. Peter and Paul School and was a general favorite with people, both old and young because of his very friendly nature and cheerful disposition. He was a talented vocalist and often appeared on programs given by the church and general community programs as well. He entered service in September 1941, went overseas in April 1943. He took part in shuttle raids from England to Africa and back in 1942.

There are five other sons in the Becker family, two in service, one with TWA and two at home. They are Warrant Officer Edmund Becker, with the 17 th Airborne Division, Paratroopers, in France, who expects to arrive home in September; Ensign

Ralph Becker: Norfolk, Va.; Justin has a responsible position as flight engineer with TWA and hopes to visit his parents soon. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Becker and family are hopeful that they may still receive word of their son's safety even though the government has found it advisable to declare him legally lost.

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Memorial Thursday For S Sgt. Bernard A. Becker,

The memory of S Sgt. Bernard A. Becker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Becker, will be honored in a mass Thursday morning in Sts. Peter and Paul church, Seneca, at nine o'clock.

Sgt. Becker lost his life in Europe more than two years ago but was retained on the missing list more than year because no information was received to verify his death. He was a radio operator and gunner on a Bomber which went down 60 miles Southeast of Paris.

Bernard was 26 years old when reported missing. He served in the early air activity against the enemy in Europe, from African bases.

Notice to K. of C. Members
Members of Knights of Columbus will attend Memorial Services for Bro. Bernard Becker at Seneca, Thursday, Nov. 15 at 9:00 a.m. — John D. Cunningham, G.K.

The following was posted on Find A Grave memorial #107054642 by Michael Beckers:

> Bernard Aloysius Becker was born in Seneca, Kansas on November 15, 1917. He was the son of Edward J. and Katherine Scholastic Ronnebaum Becker.
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> He enlisted on August 29, 1941 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in the Army Air Corps and was trained as an aerial gunner and assigned to a combat crew on a B-17F # 42-30203, nicknamed "Shack Up."
> . He was part of a replacement crew that arrived in June 1943 at Knettishall, England. This crew was assigned to the 560th Bomb Squadron of the 388th Bomb Group.
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> They flew 13 missions between July and September, but had three aborts. On 6 September 1943, they were scheduled to participate in a raid on Stuttgart, Germany. When the formation arrived at the target, it was found to be obscured with clouds and smoke. The lead aircraft then led the way to a target of opportunity.
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> The formation found Strausberg, an industrial complex, free from clouds so this target was bombed. Flak was both intense and accurate. On the turn off target, enemy aircraft attacked. Becker's B-17 was hit in #2 engine, causing it to catch fire and windmill. There was a huge hole in the right wing. The flailing prop blew off and struck the stabilizer, damaging it. Unable to keep up with the others, the B-17 fell out of formation.
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> It was immediately attacked by a number of German aircraft. It was shot down and crashed near Coudray, France. Some crew members evidently made it out as the report states four were killed and six were captured.
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> The 560th Bomb Squadron put up 24 aircraft for the mission. One aborted, and eleven were shot down. The number of crashes in the same area prevented positive retrieval and identification, so the 4 from this crew were declared Missing in Action, and were later declared Killed in Action. This was done on August 10, 1945.
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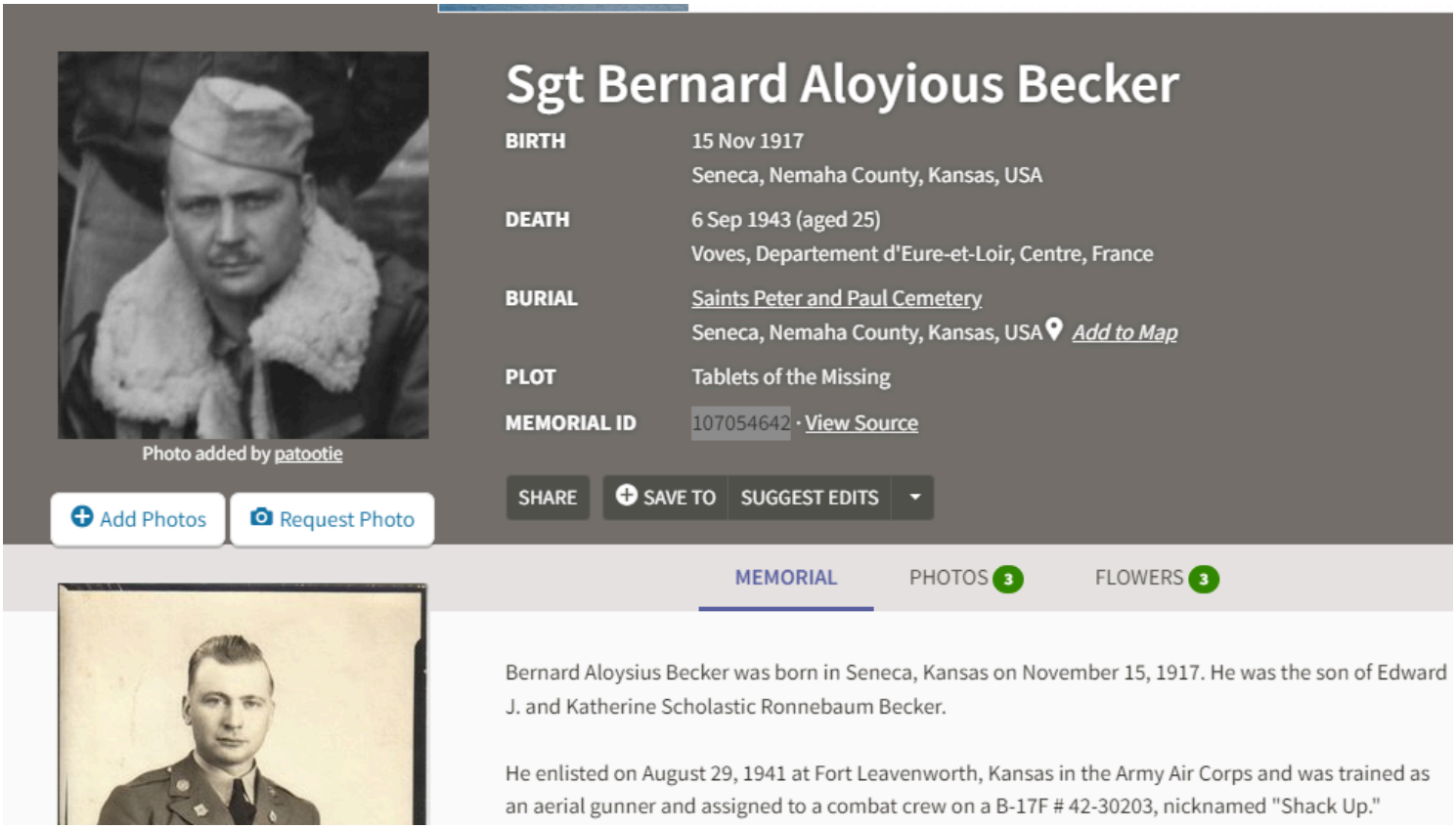
> SSgt Becker was returned to the U.S. and is buried in Saint Peter and Paul Cemetery in Seneca, Kansas.


Sgt Bernard Aloyious Becker
BIRTH
15 Nov 1917
Seneca, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA
DEATH
6 Sep 1943 (aged 25)
Voves, Departement d'Eure-et-Loir, Centre, France
BURIAL
Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery
Seneca, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA
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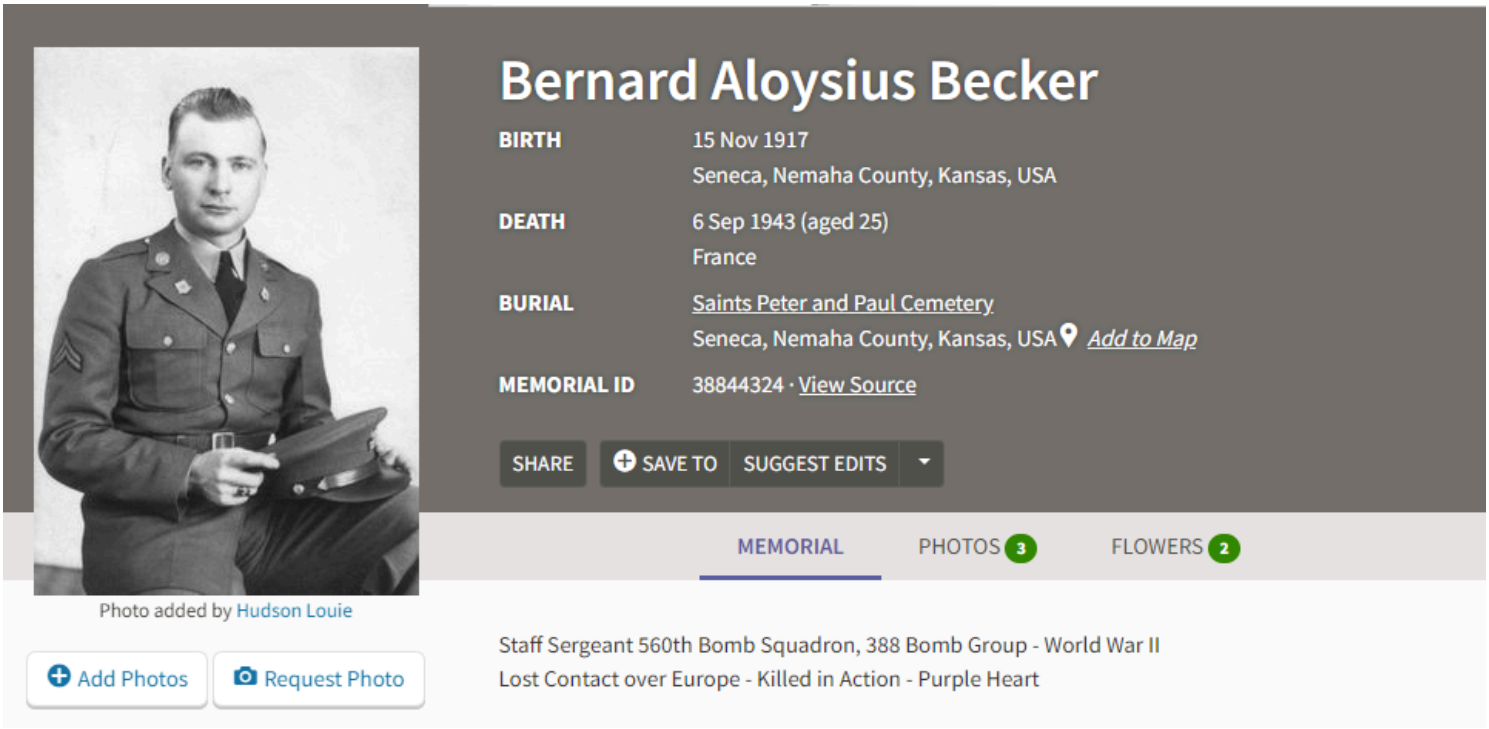
The above Find a Grave site was created in 2013. There is a second Find a Grave site that was created in 2009 by Hannah G.



Enos Currey Family of Smith County Kansas

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 24, 2024
Currey,Kansas

Thanks to my husband clipping some 1948-1950 newspapers articles from Kensington, Kansas, I've been researching Enos Currey and his family. My husband clipped the articles because he not only recognized the surname but the spelling of the surname. He was surprised to find out that Enos Currey (William Enos Currey) is a first cousin, 5 times removed. Below is what I've learned about Enos Currey and his children.

William Enos Currey [1] was born on 30 Mar 1820 in Perry Township, Brown, Ohio, United States. [2–4] He lived as a 34 year old farmer born in Ohio in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 15 Jul 1860. [5] He was the father of Mary G "Mollie" Currey who was born on 18 Aug 1860 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6–7] William was the father of Luella Grace Currey who was born on 5 Jun 1865 in Evansville, Vanderburgh, Indiana, United States. [6,8–9] He was the father of Cordelia Currey who was born on 2 Jul 1869 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6,10] He lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] William was the father of Kate Flotilla Currey who was born on 25 Mar 1880 in Indiana. [11–13] He lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] He lived at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] William lived as a 71 year old male in Smith Center, Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1895. [15] He lived in Dor Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1900. [16] He died on 24 Mar 1901 at the age of 80 in Smith, Kansas, United States. [4,17] William was buried at Cedar Cemetery in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [4]

William Enos Currey and Catharine Hyde were married on 23 Dec 1858 in Durby, Perry, Indiana, United States. [1,3,18–22] **Catharine Hyde** [1] was born on 3 Mar 1838 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [3,21–23] She lived as a 22 year old female born in Indiana in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 15 Jul 1860. [5] She was the mother of Mary G "Mollie" Currey who was born on 18 Aug 1860 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6–7] Catharine was the mother of Luella Grace Currey who was born on 5 Jun 1865 in Evansville, Vanderburgh, Indiana, United States. [6,8–9] She was the mother of Cordelia Currey who was born on 2 Jul 1869 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6,10] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] Catharine was the mother of Kate Flotilla Currey who was born on 25 Mar 1880 in Indiana. [11–13] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] She lived in Mowegna, Illinois about 1882. [22] Catharine lived in Smith, Kansas, United States in 1883. [21–22] She lived as a 46 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Catherine Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] She lived as a 57 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Catherin Curry in Smith Center, Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1895. [15] Catharine lived in Dor Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1900. [16] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1910. [24] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1915. [25] Catharine died on 2 Nov 1918 at the age of 80 in Effingham, Atchison, Kansas, United States. [21–23] She was buried on 5 Nov 1918 at Cedar Cemetery in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [21,23] William Enos Currey and Catharine Hyde had the following children:

11. **Eliza Alice Currey** [3,22] was born in 1859 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [3,26] She lived as a 6 month old female born in Indiana who was listed as Eliza A. Curry in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 15 Jul 1860. [5] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] Eliza lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1880. [27] She was the mother of Horace Reed Bennett who was born on 9 Aug 1898 in Villisca, Montgomery, Iowa, United States. [26,28] She lived in Jackson Township, Montgomery, Iowa, United States in 1900. [29] Eliza lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1910. [30] She lived in Effingham, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1918. [21–22] She lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1920. [31] Eliza lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1925. [32] She lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1930. [33] She died on 1 Apr 1940 at the age of 81. [26,34] Eliza was buried at Effingham Cemetery in Effingham, Atchison, Kansas, United States. [26]

Eliza Alice Currey and Francis M. Bennett were married on 17 Mar 1878 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [35–37] **Francis M. Bennett** [38] was born in 1840. [26] He lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1880. [27] He was the father of Horace Reed Bennett who was born on 9 Aug 1898 in Villisca, Montgomery, Iowa, United States. [26,28] Francis lived in Jackson Township, Montgomery, Iowa, United States in 1900. [29] He lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1910. [30] He lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1920. [31] Francis lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1925. [32] He lived in Benton Township, Atchison, Kansas, United States in 1930. [33] He died in 1932 at the age of 92. [26]

12. **Mary G "Mollie" Currey** [6,22] was born on 18 Aug 1860 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6–7] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] Mollie lived in Hardin, Big Horn, Montana, United States in 1918. [21–22] She died on 4 May 1928 at the age of 67 in Hardin, Big Horn, Montana, United States. [7] She was buried on 8 May 1928 at Hardin Cemetery in Hardin, Big Horn, Montana, United States. [7]

Alfred Enos Hobson was born on 1 Apr 1859 in Richland Township, Keokuk, Iowa, United States. He died on 30 Sep 1939 at the age of 80 in Hardin, Yellowstone, Montana, United States. He was buried in Oct 1939 in Hardin, Yellowstone, Montana, United States.

13. **Hannah Belle Currey** [6,22] was born in 1863 in Indiana. [6,39] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] Hannah lived as an 21 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Belle Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] She lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1910. [40] She lived in Mowegna, Illinois in 1918. [22] Hannah lived in Penn Township, Johnson, Iowa, United States in 1920. [41] She lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1930. [41] She lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1930. [42] Hannah died in 1947 at the age of 84. [39] She was buried at South Macon township Cemetery in Macon, Macon,, Illinois. [39]

Hannah Belle Currey and William W. Smull were married on 17 Oct 1888 in Shelby, Illinois, United States. [43–44] **William W. Smull** was born on 21 Nov 1865 in Stephenson, Illinois, United States. He lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1910. [40] He lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1920. [41] William lived in Penn Township, Shelby, Illinois in 1930. [42] He died on 30 Dec 1931 at the age of 66 in Shelby, Illinois, United States. He was buried in South Macon Township Cemetery, Macon, Macon, Illinois, United States.

14. **Luella Grace Currey** [6] was born on 5 Jun 1865 in Evansville, Vanderburgh, Indiana, United States. [6,8–9] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] Luella lived as an 18 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Gracie Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] She lived in Dor Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1895. [45] She was the mother of Ethel Irene Humphrey who was born on 14 Oct 1895 in Cederville Smith, Kansas, United States. [9,46] Luella lived in Rooks County, Kansas in 1900. [47] She was the mother of Katie Una Pierrard who was born on 12 May 1901 in Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas. [48–49] She lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1910. [50] Luella lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1918. [21–22] She lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1920. [51] She lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1925. [52] Luella lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1930. [53] She lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1940. [54] She lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1949. [34] Luella lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1950. [55] She died on 27 Oct 1951 at the age of 86 in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa. [8–9] She was buried on 30 Oct 1951 at Drakesville Cemetery in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa. [8–9]

Luella Grace Currey and Louis Charles Pierrard were married on 13 Feb 1888 in Smith Center, Smith, Kansas, United States. **Louis Charles Pierrard** [56] was born in 1864. [9] He lived in Dor Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1895. [45] He was the father of Ethel Irene Humphrey who was born on 14 Oct 1895 in Cederville Smith, Kansas, United States. [9,46] Louis lived in Rooks County, Kansas in 1900. [47] He was the father of Katie Una Pierrard who was born on 12 May 1901 in Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas. [48–49] He lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1910. [50] Louis lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1920. [51] He lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1925. [52] He lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1930. [53] Louis lived in Drakesville, Davis County, Iowa in 1940. [54] He died in 1942 at the age of 78. [9]

15. **Cordelia Currey** [6] was born on 2 Jul 1869 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [6,10] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 30 Jun 1870. [6] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] Cordelia lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [57] She lived as a 15 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Cordelia Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] She lived in Harvey Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1905. [58] Cordelia lived in Harvey Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1910. [59] She lived in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1918. [22] She lived in Cedar Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1940. [60] Cordelia lived in Fairview, Major, Oklahoma, United States in 1950. [61] She died on 22 Apr 1953 at the age of 83 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States. [10] She was buried at Cedar Cemetery in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [10]

Cordelia Currey and Asa E E Crosby were married on 6 Sep 1887 in Smith, Kansas, United States. [10] **Asa E E Crosby** was born from 1861 to 1862 in Wisconsin, United States. He died.

Cordelia Currey and John Johnston were married on 4 Oct 1903 in Smith, Kansas, United States. [10,62] **John Johnston** was born on 19 Jan 1848 in Ohio. [10] He lived in Harvey Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1905. [58] He lived in Harvey Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1910. [59] John died on 1 Jan 1913 at the age of 64 in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [10] He was buried on 1 Jan 1913 in Cedar Cemetery, Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States.

Cordelia Currey and Franklin P. Jones were married on 23 Jul 1942. [10] **Franklin P. Jones** was born in 1865. [10] He lived in Fairview, Major, Oklahoma, United States in 1950. [61] He died in 1959 at the age of 94. [10]

16. **James Hiram Currey** [11,34] was born on 11 Sep 1876 in Perry, Indiana, United States. [11,34] He lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] He lived as an 8 year old male born in Indiana who was listed as Id St (or Ja St) Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] James lived as an 18 year old male born in Indiana who was listed as James Curry in Smith Center, Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1895. [15] He lived in Dor Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1900. [16] He was the father of Hilda Grace Currey who was born on 22 Feb 1904

in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [63–65] James was the father of Delphia Cordine Christine Currey who was born on 13 Oct 1906 in Claudell, Kans. [66–67] He was the father of James Henry Currey who was born on 18 Dec 1909 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States. [68–69] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1910. [24] James was the father of Enos Arthur Currey who was born on 30 Aug 1911 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States. [68,70–71] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1915. [25] He lived in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1918. [21–22] James registered for the military draft in Sep 1918 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States. [72] He was the father of Carl E Currey who was born on 15 Sep 1918 in Kansas. [73–74] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1920. [75] James lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1925. [76] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1930. [77] He lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1940. [78] James died on 12 Feb 1949 at the age of 72 in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States. [34,79] He was buried at Cedar Cemetery in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [34]

James Hiram Currey and Mary Landman were married on 20 Aug 1902 in Smith, Kansas, United States. [80] **Mary Landman** [34] was the mother of Hilda Grace Currey who was born on 22 Feb 1904 in Cedar, Smith, Kansas, United States. [63–65] She was the mother of Delphia Cordine Christine Currey who was born on 13 Oct 1906 in Claudell, Kans. [66–67] She was the mother of James Henry Currey who was born on 18 Dec 1909 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States. [68–69] Mary lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1910. [24] She was the mother of Enos Arthur Currey who was born on 30 Aug 1911 in Claudell, Smith, Kansas, United States. [68,70–71] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1915. [25] Mary was the mother of Carl E Currey who was born on 15 Sep 1918 in Kansas. [73–74] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1920. [75] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1925. [76] Mary lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1930. [77] She lived in Valley Township, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1940. [78] She lived in Kensington, Smith, Kansas, United States in 1953. [81]

17. **Kate Flotilla Currey** [11,82] was born on 25 Mar 1880 in Indiana. [11–13] She lived in Union Township, Perry, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1880. [11] She lived as a 5 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Katie Curry at Harvey in Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. [14] Kate lived as a 15 year old female born in Indiana who was listed as Katie Curry in Smith Center, Smith, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1895. [15] She lived in Ravanna Township, Mercer, Missouri, United States in 1900. [83] She was the mother of Theodore Roosevelt Smith who was born on 8 Jul 1900 in Mercer, Missouri, United States. [84] Kate was the mother of Mary Catherine Smith who was born on 5 Apr 1904 in West Plains, Howell, Missouri, United States. [85] She was the mother of William Enos Smith who was born on 5 Nov 1909 in Ravanna, Mercer, Missouri, United States. [82] She lived in Clay Township, Sullivan, Missouri, United States in 1910. [86] Kate lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1918. [21] She lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1920. [87] She lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1930. [88] Kate lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1940. [89] She lived in Willow Springs Township, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1950. [90] She died on 23 May 1956 at the age of 76 in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States. [12–13] Kate was buried on 27 May 1956 at Willow Springs City Cemetery in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States. [12–13]

Kate Flotilla Currey and James Edwards Smith were married on 2 Jan 1898 in Smith, Kansas, United States. [91] **James Edwards Smith** was born on 27 Apr 1870 in Ravanna, Mercer, Missouri, United States. He lived in Ravanna Township, Mercer, Missouri, United States in 1900. [83] He was the father of Theodore Roosevelt Smith who was born on 8 Jul 1900 in Mercer, Missouri, United States. [84] James was the father of Mary Catherine Smith who was born on 5 Apr 1904 in West Plains, Howell, Missouri, United States. [85] He was the father of William Enos Smith who was born on 5 Nov 1909 in Ravanna, Mercer, Missouri, United States. [82] He lived in Clay Township, Sullivan, Missouri, United States in 1910. [86] James lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1920. [87] He lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1930. [88] He lived in Willow Springs, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1940. [89] James lived in Willow Springs Township, Howell, Missouri, United States in 1950. [90] He died on 15 Nov 1972 at the age of 102 in Howell, Missouri, United States. He was buried in Willow Springs Township, Howell, Missouri, United States.

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Perplexed but Learning

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 25, 2024
Artificial Intelligence,DearMyrtle

Did you know that DearMyrtle is back with her Mondays with Myrt broadcast on YouTube? If so, did you catch the session on April 22? The first half of this session was a discussion about the AI site, Perplexity, led by Terry Britton.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=De798SSAQsY

This session was an excellent example of why I've loved Mondays with Myrt over the years. She always seems to find what's new in genealogy and the experts to talk about it. And this session was an excellent example.

While I have used AI tools, I had not heard of Perplexity prior to watching this presentation. And Perplexity has the potential to be a 'game changer' for researchers since it not only pulls information from a variety of sources but also tells you what sources it used.

My experience with Perplexity became perplexing when Randy Seaver shared that Perplexity found his blog posts (at 39:05) and I discovered that my blog was not found (at 42:33).

Thus, I had a problem to solve. Why was Randy's blog found and mine wasn't. Thanks to Myrtle's suggestion about Blogger being immediatly indexed by Google, I copied my "Henry" post into my old blogger site. And as I'm writing this blog on Wednesday, April 24, the Henry post on Blogger is still not indexed.

From that search, I moved to Google Search Console to try and figure out why my current posts aren't being indexed. And I discovered that my site likely had not been crawled let alone indexed

Sider

Thus, the questions: **Why not?** and **How do I fix it?** While I had been using the AI tool, Sider to transcribe newspaper articles, I started asking it questions about how to fix these indexing issues. And I found this aspect of AI gave me easily followable step by step instructions.

You

how do I enable robots to index my wordpress blog

GPT-3.5 Turbo

To enable search engine robots to index your WordPress blog, you can follow these steps:

1. Install and Activate an SEO Plugin: One of the most popular SEO plugins for WordPress is Yoast SEO or Rank Math. Install and activate one of these plugins on your WordPress site.

2. Configure SEO Plugin Settings: Once the plugin is activated, go to the plugin settings and configure the options related to indexing and crawling. Look for settings related to allowing search engines to index your site and follow links.

3. Set Up XML Sitemap: Most SEO

You

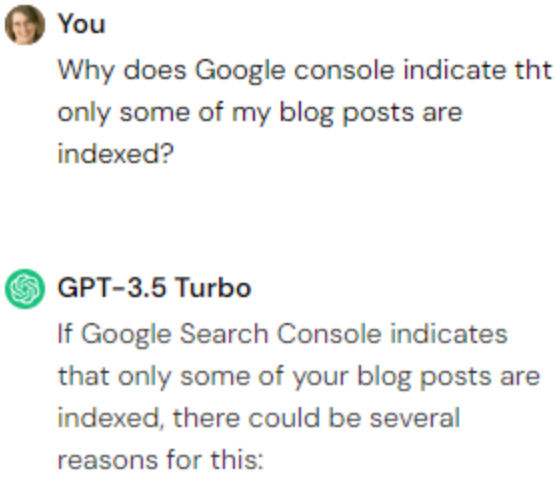
how do I get indexing and ranking data from google for a site I own?

GPT-3.5 Turbo

To get indexing and ranking data from Google for a site you own, you can use Google Search Console. Here's how you can do it:

1. Sign in to Google Search Console: Go to https://search.google.com/search-console and sign in with your Google account.

2. Add your website: Click on the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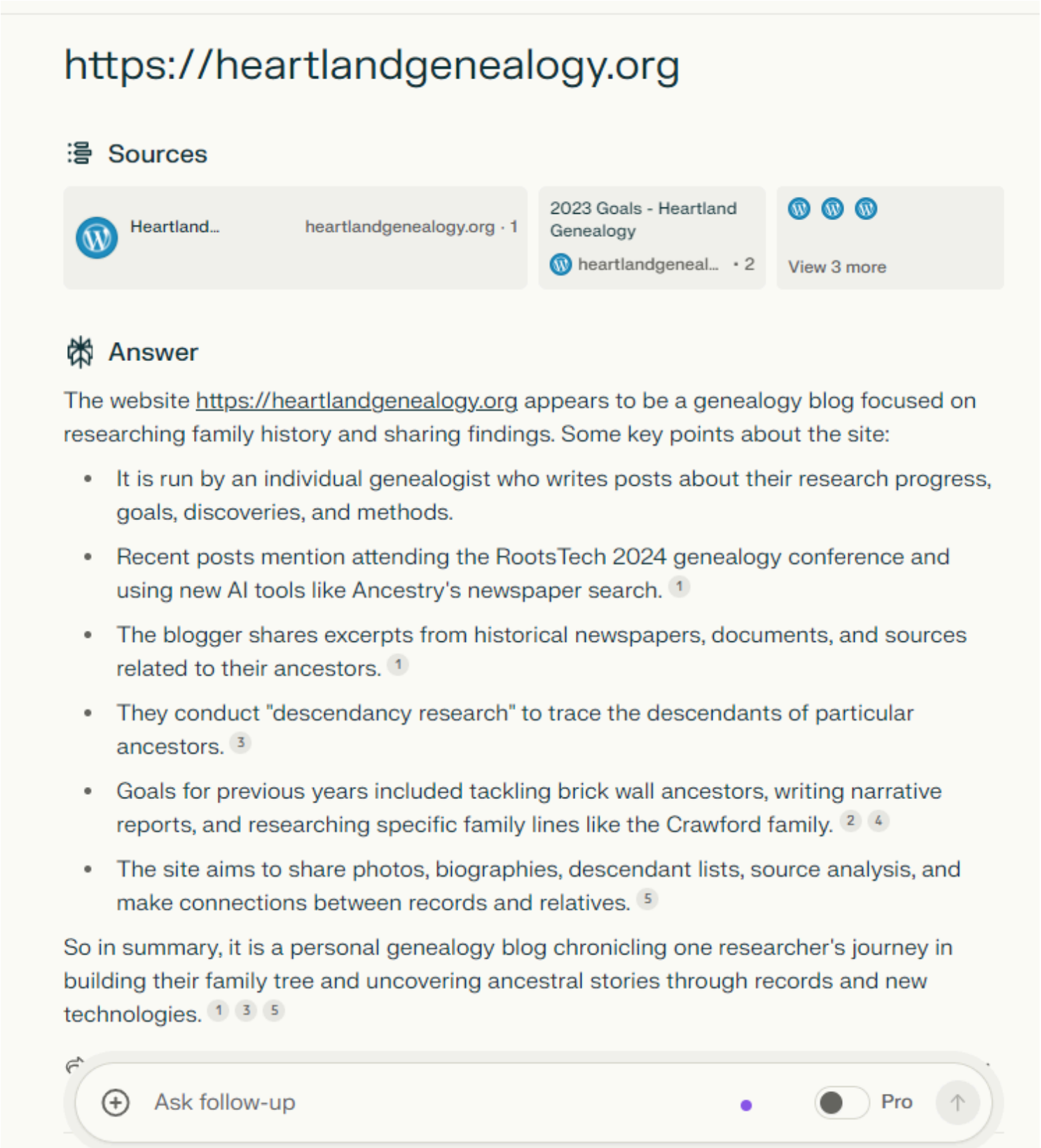
Why does Google console indicate tht only some of my blog posts are indexed?
GPT-3.5 Turbo
If Google Search Console indicates that only some of your blog posts are indexed, there could be several reasons for this:

Thanks to the help from SIDER, I felt like I was making progress. However, I knew that changes like this can take time to populate across the Internet. Thus, I had to be patient and wait at least 24 hours.

Perplexity

Being slightly impatient, I wanted to see if I could train Perplexity to use my site. Thus, I put the address of my blog in as the 'question'. Surprisingly, the answer is a fairly accurate description of my blog.

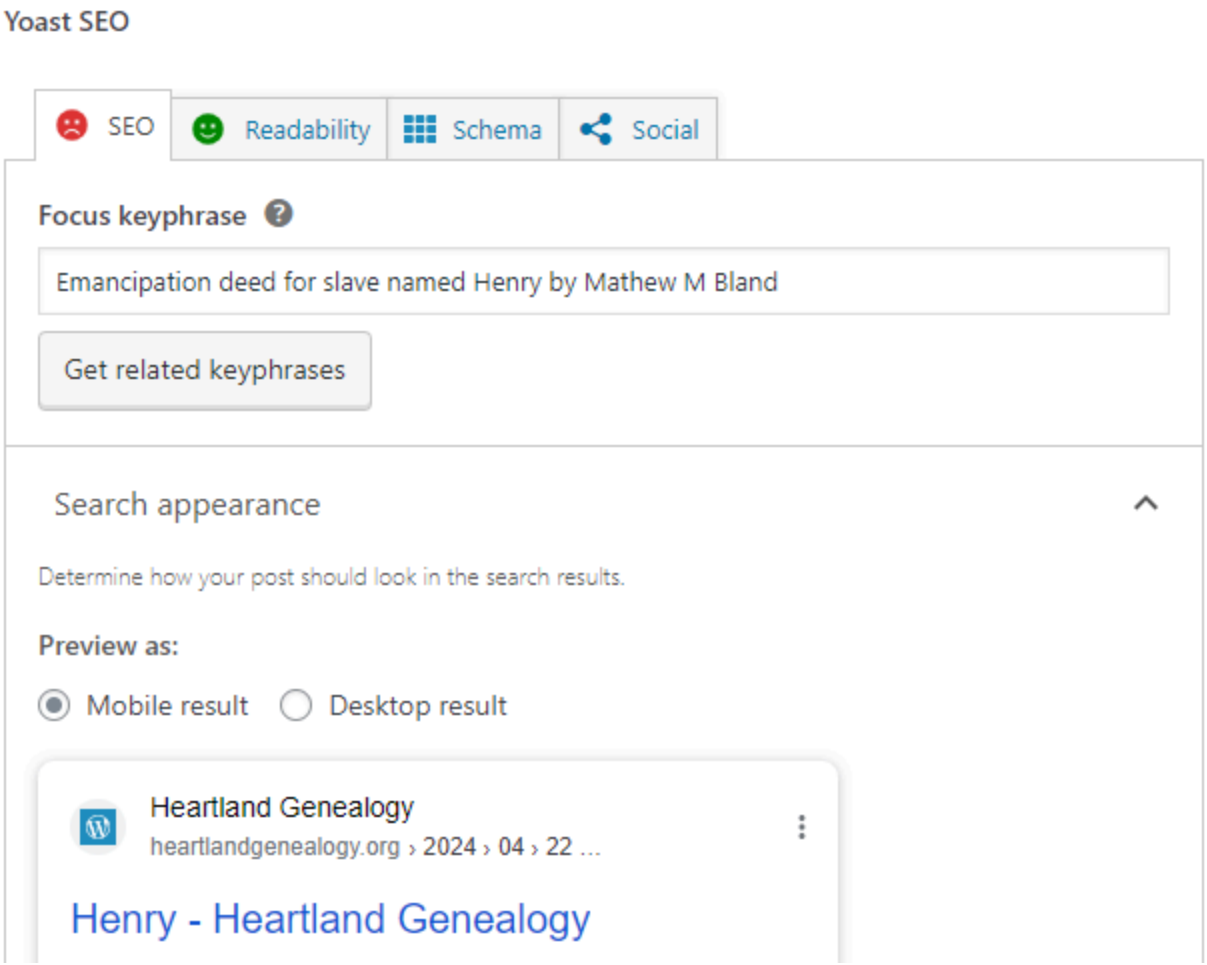

https://heartlandgenealogy.org
Sources
Heartland...
heartlandgenealogy.org · 1
2023 Goals - Heartland Genealogy
heartlandgeneal... · 2
View 3 more
Answer
The website https://heartlandgenealogy.org appears to be a genealogy blog focused on researching family history and sharing findings. Some key points about the site:
It is run by an individual genealogist who writes posts about their research progress, goals, discoveries, and methods.
Recent posts mention attending the RootsTech 2024 genealogy conference and using new AI tools like Ancestry's newspaper search. 1
The blogger shares excerpts from historical newspapers, documents, and sources related to their ancestors. 1
They conduct "descendancy research" to trace the descendants of particular ancestors. 3
Goals for previous years included tackling brick wall ancestors, writing narrative reports, and researching specific family lines like the Crawford family. 2 4
The site aims to share photos, biographies, descendant lists, source analysis, and make connections between records and relatives. 5
So in summary, it is a personal genealogy blog chronicling one researcher's journey in building their family tree and uncovering ancestral stories through records and new technologies. 1 3 5
Ask follow-up
Pro

As I continued to investigate, I also learned more about WordPress and SEO (Search engine optimization). Unfortunately, my Henry post on both Blogger and WordPress are still not indexed.

However, I've continued to learn about SEO while waiting. Thus, I've added the Yoast plugin to my WordPress blog to help me administer SEO.

YOAST

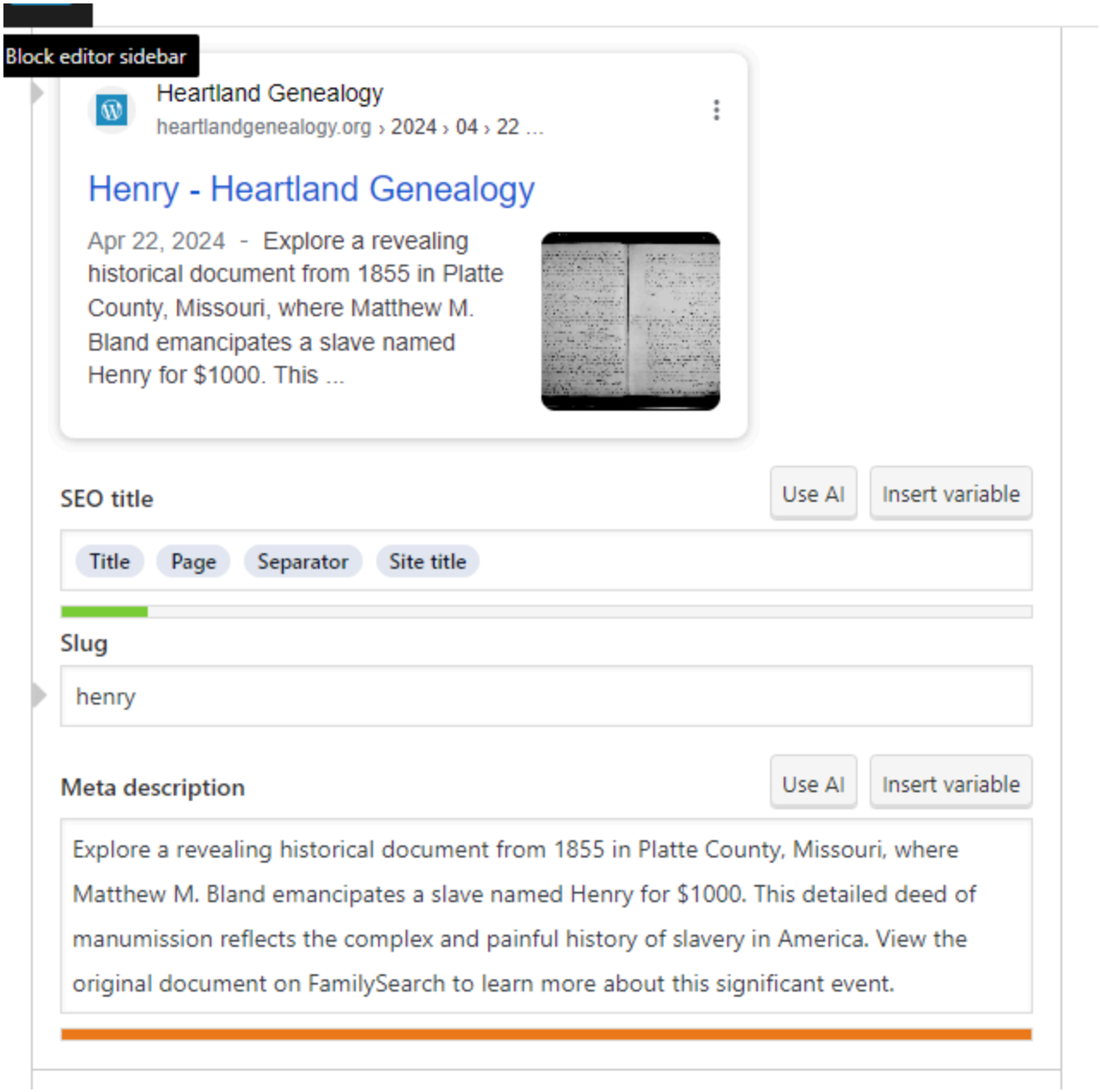
The plugin added SEO information at the bottom of each post/page.



One of the pieces of information that Yoast manages is the 'Meta Description'. Since I've never added this information to a post in the past, it may be why my posts are not getting indexed. Unsure of how to write or what to write in a Meta Description, I asked Chat GPT.

CHAT GPT

Basically, I asked ChatGPT to "write a meta description for the following" and then copied the text of the blog post into ChatGPT after the word, following. Then I copied the results into the Meta Description field in the SEO section.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Heartland Genealogy
heartlandgenealogy.org › 2024 › 04 › 22 ...
Henry - Heartland Genealogy
Apr 22, 2024 - Explore a revealing historical document from 1855 in Platte County, Missouri, where Matthew M. Bland emancipates a slave named Henry for $1000. This ...
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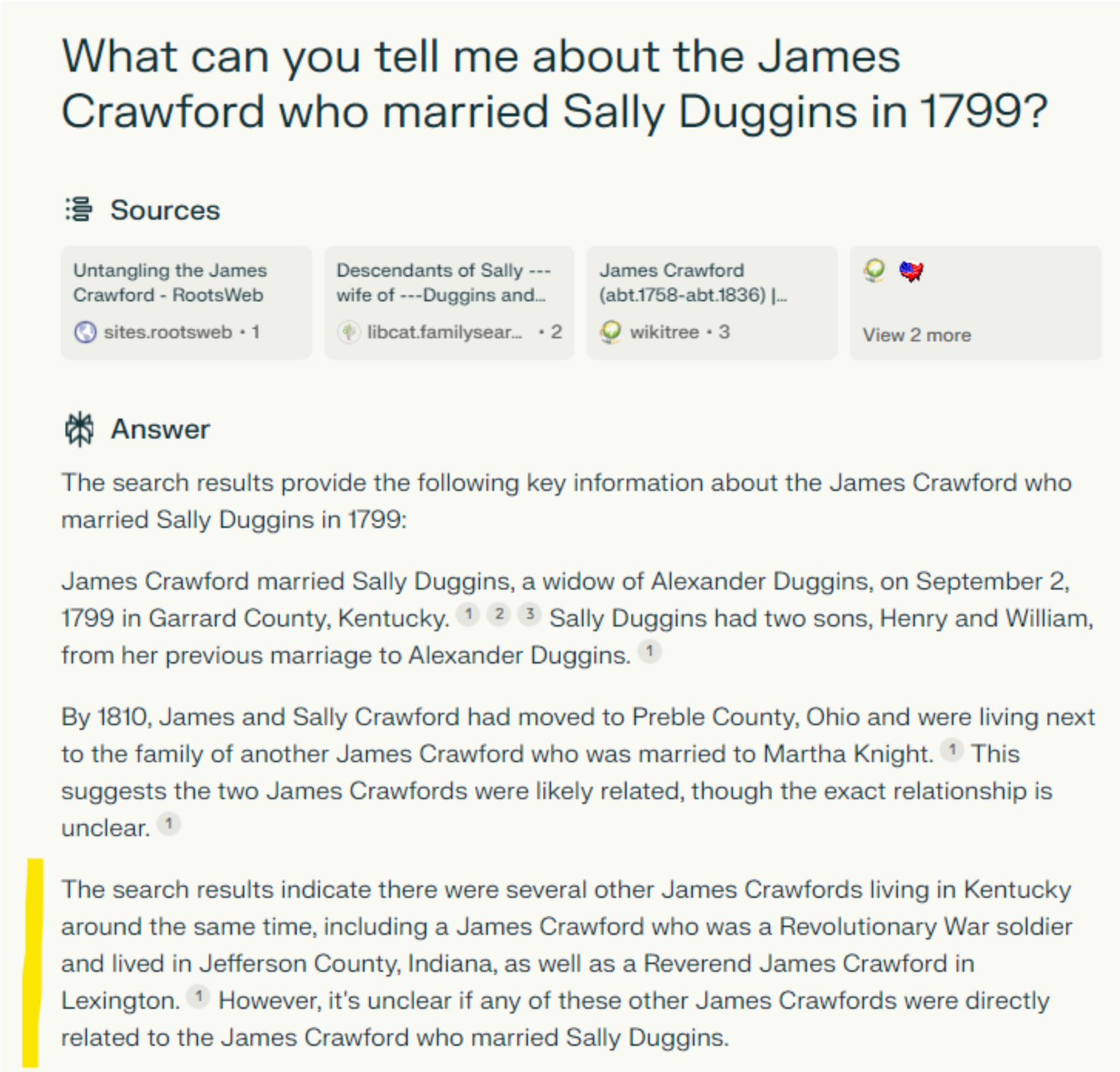
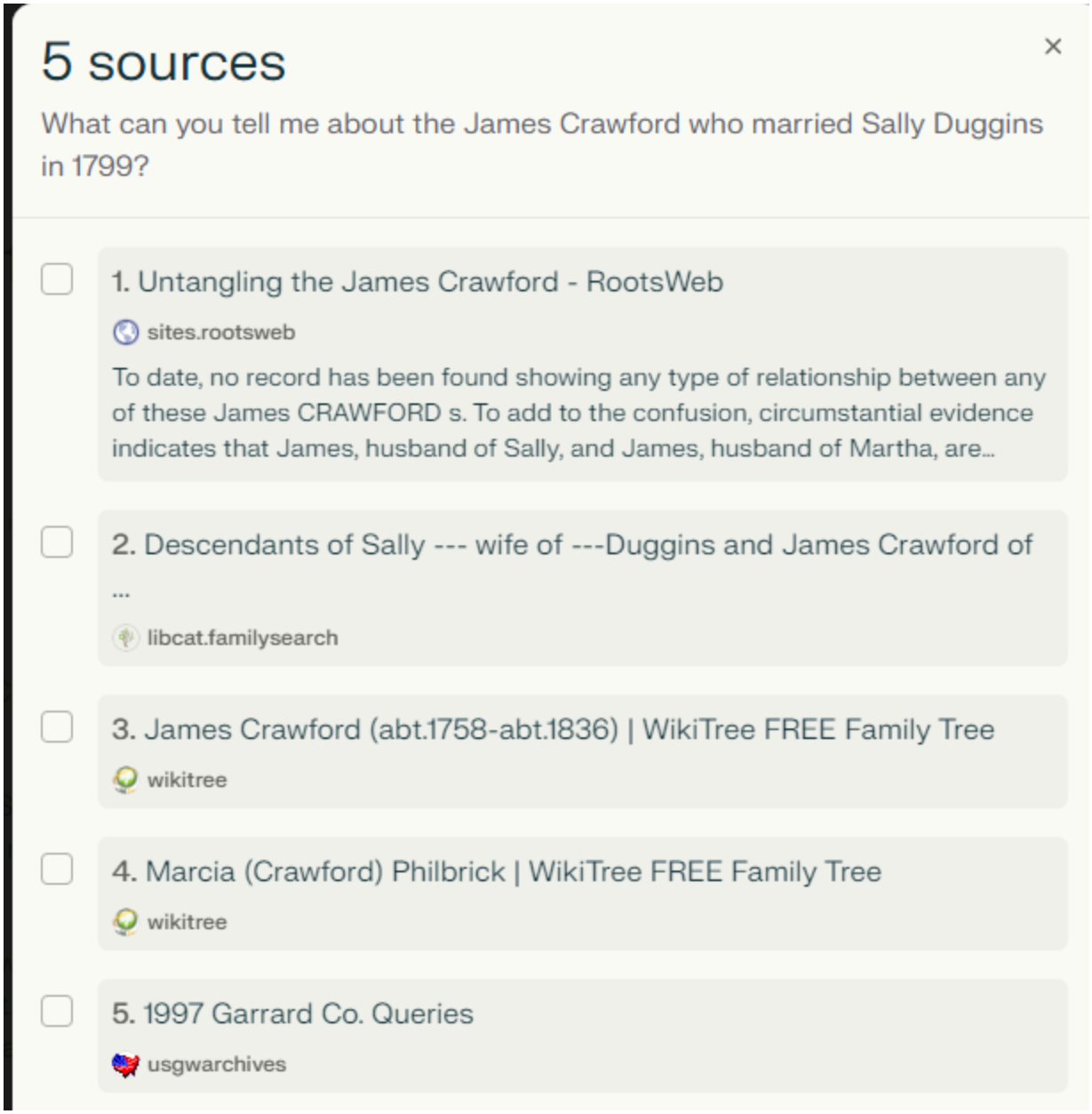
In the past I've experimented with having AI write for me (See AI-Fiction) and was disappointed. However, I've been pleasantly pleased by the meta descriptions generated by ChatGPT.

Back to Perplexity

Hoping that Perplexity learned something about my blog, I asked it about my ancestor, James Crawford who married Sally Duggins.


What can you tell me about the James Crawford who married Sally Duggins in 1799?
Sources
Untangling the James Crawford - RootsWeb
sites.rootsweb • 1
Descendants of Sally --- wife of ---Duggins and...
libcat.familysear... • 2
James Crawford (abt.1758-abt.1836) |...
wikitree • 3
View 2 more
Answer
The search results provide the following key information about the James Crawford who married Sally Duggins in 1799:
James Crawford married Sally Duggins, a widow of Alexander Duggins, on September 2, 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky. 1 2 3 Sally Duggins had two sons, Henry and William, from her previous marriage to Alexander Duggins. 1
By 1810, James and Sally Crawford had moved to Preble County, Ohio and were living next to the family of another James Crawford who was married to Martha Knight. 1 This suggests the two James Crawfords were likely related, though the exact relationship is unclear. 1
The search results indicate there were several other James Crawfords living in Kentucky around the same time, including a James Crawford who was a Revolutionary War soldier and lived in Jefferson County, Indiana, as well as a Reverend James Crawford in Lexington. 1 However, it's unclear if any of these other James Crawfords were directly related to the James Crawford who married Sally Duggins.

The answer was surprisingly accurate. And the ***sources are pulling from my blog*** and from Wikitree.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sites.rootsweb
To date, no record has been found showing any type of relationship between any of these James CRAWFORD s. To add to the confusion, circumstantial evidence indicates that James, husband of Sally, and James, husband of Martha, are...
2. Descendants of Sally --- wife of ---Duggins and James Crawford of ...
libcat.familysearch
3. James Crawford (abt.1758-abt.1836) | WikiTree FREE Family Tree
wikitree
4. Marcia (Crawford) Philbrick | WikiTree FREE Family Tree
wikitree
5. 1997 Garrard Co. Queries
usgwarchives

While I still need to learn more about how to improve my blog, I've learned a lot about different AI tools and how to use them effectively. Thank you DearMyrtle for this experience.

Friday Find

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 26, 2024
Burke,Missouri

Today's find is a deed resulting from court intervention to partition land in Platte county after the death of Elizabeth Burke.

Platte County Missouri
Deed Records, 1839-1895

Deed records v. 7-8 1876-1879
Film 988239 DGS 8486504

Pages 584-585 (Image 298)

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To all to whome these presents shall come
Know ye that whereas at the November Term 1876 the
Weston Court of Common Pleas of the said County of
Platte in a certain suit then pending in said court
wherein Gilford Hornbuckel and Sarah Hornbuckel his
wife and Hiram Curry and Anglina Curry his wife
were Petitioners against John M Buck and Milton Burk
Defendants for the partition of the following described Real
Estate situate lying and being in the County of Platte
and State of Missouri to wit
all of the East half of the South west quarter of Section(34)
Thirty four in township (54) fifty four of range (36) thirty six
lying and being situated in Weston Township Platte county
Missouri save and except (1) one acre beginning at the North East
corner of said east half and running thence west (20) twenty poles
thence South (6) Six poles thence to the eastern line of said quarter
Section then to the Beginning and also except all that part
of said east half of said quarter Section lying East of Bear
Creek on the Southeast corner of said East half
The said Court then and there decreed that partition of
said land be made among the parties according to their
respective interest and it appearing to said Court that
Said land could not be divided in kind amongst the
parties therein the undersigned Marshall of the Weston
Court of Common Pleas was ordered by said Court to
sell said real Estate and it was thereon ordered and de
creed by said Court that the said Marshall proceed to
advertise and sell the same according to law all of
which facts and orders of court fully appear from the
records of said Court and whereas a certified copy
of said order of sale was duly made out by the Clerk
of said Court and to him the said Marshall delivered dated
March 12th 1877 and whereas in obedience to said order
of sale I the said Marshal did cause the said Real
Estate to be advertised for sale for a period of not
less than twenty days next preceding the day of sale her
inafter mentioned by advertisement in the Weston
Commercial a newspaper printed in Weston Platte County
State aforesaid containing a particular description of the
Real Estate to be sold and stating the time and place
and terms of sale and whereas in obedience and
confirmity to said order of sale and advertisement

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aforesaid I the said Marshall did on the 9th day of July
1877 at the July Term of the said Court of said last named

County for the year 1877 and while said last named
Court was in session between the hours of nine o'clock
in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of
that day proceed to offer and expire to sale at public
auction to the highest bidder on the following terms
viz For cash in hand at the Court house door
in Weston in said County of Platte the real Estate
above described and having so offered and expo
sed the same for sale for a long space of time as
aforesaid and Milton E Bark being the best highest
and last bidder for the following described part of
said real estate became the purchaser thereof for
the price and [paid] of thirteen Hundred and Fifty
Dollars and – Cents to wit
all of the east half of the south west quarter section (34)
thirty four in township (54) fifty four of range (36) thirty
Six lying and being situated in Weston township , Platte
County Missouri save and except (1) one acre beginning
at the North east corner of said East half and running thence
west (20) poles thence South (6) poles thence to the eastern line
of the said quarter section thence to the beginning and
also except all that part of said east half of said quarter
Section lying east of Bear Creek on the South east comer
of said last half
and whereas the said Milton Burk has fully paid
and Satisfied to me the full amount of money by him
bid as aforesaid for said last Described Real Estate
Now therefore Know all men by these presents that I
Joseph B Evans Marshal as aforesaid for and in
consideration of the premises and of said sum of
Thirteen Hundred and fifty -/100 dollars to him in hand paid do
assign transfer and convey and set over unto
the said Milton E Back his heirs and assigns
the real Estate last above described to have and
to hold the same with the appurtenances unto him the
Said Milton C Burk heirs and assigns forever as f
ully and effectually as I the said Marshall by the Power
and authority in me vested in the premises as such
can sell and convey the same
In testimony whereof I the said Marshal have

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hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this
12th day of July 1877
Joseph , B. Evans (Seal)
Marshal of the Weston Court of Common Pleas
State of Missouri
County of Platte
In the Weston court of Common pleas
July Term A D 1877
Be it remembered that on this fourteenth day of July in the
year of our Lord 1877 before W H Roney Judge of the
Weston Court of Common Pleas within and for the county
aforesaid came into open Court Joseph B Evans
Marshal of said Court personally known to said
Judge to be the same person whose name is subscribed
to the foregoing instrument of writing as having Execu
ted the same and also known to be the Marshal as in
said deed described and then and there in open
Court before the said Judge acknowledged the said
instrument to be his act and deed for the purposes therein
mentioned . this certificate of said acknowledgment
being ordered by the said Court to be endorsed by
the Clerk on this deed
In testimony whereof I William F Yocom Clerk of our

said Court have hereunto set my hand and affixed
he seal of said court done at office in Weston
in the County aforesaid L
(Seal) W F Yocom Clerk
Filed for record at 9 . 30 A. M . October 1s 1877
R L Waller
Recorder of Deeds

Missouri, Platte County. Deed records, 1839-1895. Film #988239 DGS 8486504. Anglina Curry Sarah Hornbuckle, 12 Jul 1877; Vol. 7: page 584-586; digitized images, FamilySearch http://www.familysearch.org

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wife and Hiram Berry and Angelina Berry his wife
were Petitioners against John M Burk and Milton C Burk
Defendants for the partition of the following described Real
Estate Situate lying and being in the County of Platte
and State of Missouri to wit
all of the East half of the Southwest quarter of Section (34)
thirty four in township (54) fifty four of range (36) thirty six
lying and being Situated in Morton Township Platte County
Missouri Save and except (1) one acre beginning at the Northeast
corner of said east half and running thence West (20) twenty poles
thence South (8) six poles thence to the eastern line of said quarter
Section thence to the Beginning and also except all that part
of said east half of said quarter Section lying east of Bean
Creek on the Southeast corner of said East half
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of said court and to him the said marshal delivered dated
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less than twenty days next preceding the day of sale hereinafter mentioned by advertisement in the Weston
Commercial a newspaper printed in Weston Platte County
State aforesaid containing a particular descriptive of the
Real Estate to be sold and stating the time and place
and terms of Sale and Whereas in obedience and
Conformity to said order of Sale and advertisement

aforesaid I the said marshall did on the 4th day of July 1877 at the July Term of the said Court of said last named County for the year 1877 and while said last named Court was in Session between the hours of nine oclock in the forenoon and five oclock in the afternoon of that day proceed to offer and expose to sale at public auction to the highest bidder on the following terms viz For cash in hand at the court house door in Boston in said county of Suffolk the real Estate above described and having so ~~offered~~ and exposed the same for sale for a long space of time as aforesaid and Milton C Burk being the last highest and last bidder for the following described part of said real Estate became the purchaser thereof for the price and Sum of thirteen Hundred and Fifty dollars and —— cents to wit

All of the east half of the south west quarter Section (34) Thirty four in township (5N) fifty four of range (30) thirty Six lying and being Situate in aforesaid township & County Minnesota Save and except-10 one acre beginning at the north east corner of said east half and running thence west (20) poles thence South (8) poles thence to the eastern line of the said quarter section thence to the beginning and also except all that part of said east half of said quarter Section lying east of Bear creek on the South east corner of said east half

And whereas the said Milton Burk has fully paid and satisfied to me the full amount of money by him bid as aforesaid for said last described Real Estate

Now Therefore Know all men by these presents that I Joseph B Evans Marshal as aforesaid for and in Consideration of the premises and of said Sum of ~~in hand~~ thirteen Hundred and fifty ~~00~~ dollars to him paid do assign Transfer and convey and set over unto the said Milton C Burk his heirs and assigns the Real Estate last above described to have and to hold the same with the appurtenances unto him the said Milton C Burk his heirs and assigns forever as fully and effectually as I the said Marshal by the Power and authority in me vested in the premises as such can sell and convey the same

In testimony whereof I the said Marshal have

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Hereunto Subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 12th day of July 1877

Joseph B Evans (Seal)
Marshal of the weston court of Common Pleas

State of Missouri } In the weston court of common Pleas
County of Platte } ss July Term A D 1877

Be it remembered that on this fourteenth day of July in the Year of our Lord 1877 before W H Roney Judge of the weston Court of Common Pleas within and for the county aforesaid Came into open Court Joseph B Evans Marshal of said Court personally known to said Judge to be the same person whose name is Subscribed to the foregoing instrument of writing as having executed the same and also known to be the marshal as in said deed described and there and there in open Court before the said Judge acknowledged the said instrument to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. His certificate of said acknowledgment being ordered by the said Court to be endorsed by the Clerk on this deed

In testimony whereof I William H Yocum Clerk of our said Court have hereunto Set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court thereof office in weston in the County aforesaid

[L S]

W H Yocum Clerk

Filed for record at- 9.30 a.m. October 1st 1877

R L Waller
Recorder of Deeds

This Indenture made

Saturday Tidbits

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 27, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

Courier Tribune
13 Jan 1941
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Taking Air Mechanics Course in California

Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Haug arc now living in Los Angeles, where he is taking a course in Aviation Mechanics, which he expects to finish some time in March. They have an apartment near, the school and find living costs very reasonable. Their address is 1627 1/2 Flower St., Los Angeles.

Volunteers To Fill The Quota

Arthur R. Hartter of Sabetha First To Army

First man to join Uncle Sam's service through the local draft board will be Arthur R. Hartter of Sabetha. Hartter was No. 39 on the county draft order but has volunteered to go ahead of his turn. He is to report at Seneca for the early morning train next Monday, to be sent from here to the induction station at Leavenworth._Hartter fills the first Nemaha quota of one man.

In case Hartter is not accepted, next man will be Vernet Harry Randel of Corning, first man on the regular order list who is available for immediate service.

Working for Air Licenses

Wilbur Stuke and James Gilson jr have been here several days and left Saturday for Hamburg, Iowa, where Gilson lives and where Stuke is taking air training. Wilbur has purchased one of the Gilson Piper Cub planes and is working towards a private pilot's license. After getting that he plans to earn a commercial license.

Goff Boys' Picture In the Sunday Star

T. M. Reed and W. L. Furst of Goff, were included in a picture in the Rotogravure section of Sunday's Kansas City Star, under the caption of "Young Kansas Citians Working for Reserve Commission in the Navy." Tommy Reed is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Reed of south Reilly township and Walter Furst, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Furst of Goff. Having completed a month long cruise aboard a United States battleship, these young men are studying intensively at Northwestern University to qualify as reserve officers in Uncle Sam's first line of defense. In three

months, they are taking a skeletonized version of the study course at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. There are 25 young men in the-group picture and nearly all but Tommy and Walter are from Kansas City. Both Nemaha county young men were students at Kansas State College, Manhattan, last year.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 28, 2024
Crawford,SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night Again –

Time For Some More Genealogy Fun!!

Come on, everybody, join in and accept the mission and execute it with precision.

1) What newspaper article is the "best" one you've found to help you with your family history? Tell us about it – where you found it, and what you learned from it.

2) Tell us about your "best" newspaper article find in a comment on this post, or in a Facebook post. Please leave a link on this post if you write your own post.

I'm a little late about posting today. I spent yesterday with my husband's family as we celebratedthe marriage of his nephew, Nathan, to Cami.

Late in the afternoon, I glanced at Randy Seaver's blog to see what the prompt was. When I first read the prompt, I panicked. I have used a lot of newspaper articles in my research. I thought that identifying one would be impossible. Then sometime during the dance, I remembered a previous post highlighting an article about my second great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford.

In the article, Washington Crawford (or Marion Crawford as he was known in Indiana) shares a poem he wrote about his time as a prisoner of war in Andersonville prison.

My Capture and Imprisonment

Kilpatrick is a jolly soldier,
and I'm of his command,
and by a defeat of his,
I was left with a rebel band.

In the month of September,
In the year sixty-three,
The army was laying idle,
And Kil that couldn't see.

So he being thus uneasy,
And anxious for a fight,
Requested General Meade,
To let him do his might.

His request being granted,
His command was called together,
On twenty-first of September,
In cold unpleasant weather.

We marched that day to Madison,
And found the rebs hard by,
I'm sure you'd laugh If you could see,
The way we mad them fly.

We lay that night on our arms,
And arose at early morn,
Made a breakfast on hard-tack,
and roasted rebel corn.

At nine o'clock we started,
General Buford on the pike,
Kil goes round to the right,
With intent the rear to strike.

We came around in evening,
And crossed the Rapidan,
Met the rebel column,
And fought them five to one.

General Stewart seemed quite uneasy,
But did the thing up well,
He turned around a battery,
And threw in shot and shell.

Then Kil deployed his skirmishers,
And went in for support,
But before it could reach us,
We had a reb escort.

We were then marched to Orange,
And lay there under guard,
On the cold and frozen ground,
In the Court House yard.

Next day we went to Richmond,
Expecting moderate times,
In a few days, or weeks at most,
To be sent to the Yankee lines.

We lay that night in Libby,
And half way took our case,
Being bitten by Confederate lice,
Which are far worse than fleas.

[For the Republican.]

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Which are far worse than fleas.

Next morning bright and early
They ordered us in ranks,
Searched us and took our money,
Without returning thanks.

We went next to Belle Isle,
Where in the sand we lay,
The whole winter through,
Wearing life away.

We left there in the Spring,
For a more sunny clime,
To a prison pen in Georgia,
Where I composed my rhyme.

This prison pen of theirs,
Is a large stockade pen,
Built for keeping prisoners,
And used for starving men.

We left there in the fall,
In the year eighteen sixty-four,
And praying to the God above us,
To see our friends once more.

But now alas
To our sad fate,
We were taken down to Charleston,
To a little longer wait.

Our treatment here
We thought was good,
We got corn meal and beef,
And a small stick of wood.

We next went to Florence,
In South Carolina State,
My heart sank within me,
When I entered the prison gate.

For two months here we staid,
As nibbled the hours away,
By cooking a pint of meal
On each successive day.

On the eighth day of December,
The glorious news did come,
That we could leave this wretched place,
To go to a Northern home.

And now I bless the day
That gave me my release,
And pray to God the time is near,
When we will have a happy peace.

MARION CRAWFORD.

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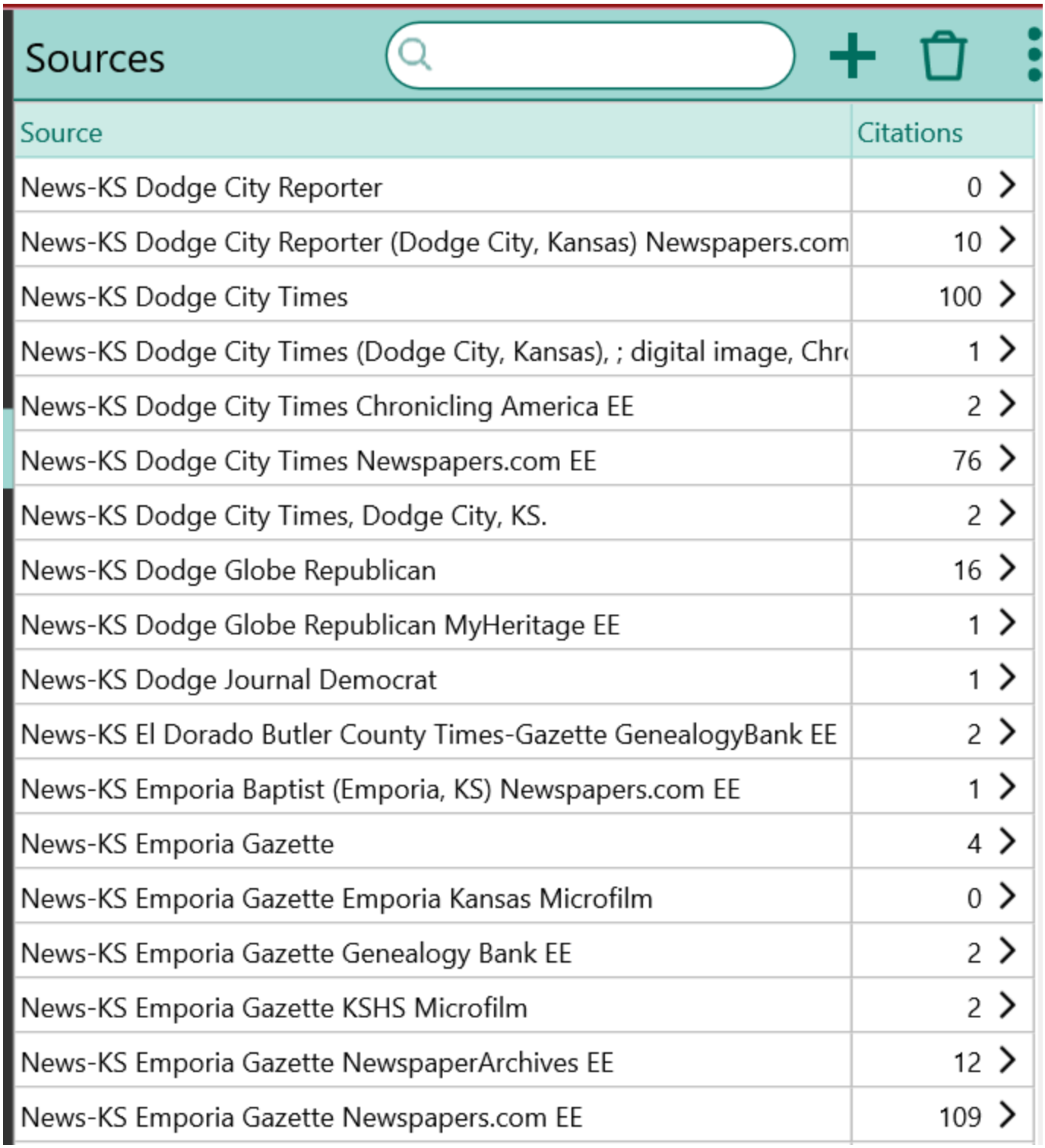
Marion Crawford

I tried to print a list of my newspaper sources but could not figure out how to just get a list of source names. Below is a screen shot showing some of my newspaper related sources.



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News-KS Emporia Gazette KSHS Microfilm	2
News-KS Emporia Gazette NewspaperArchives EE	12
News-KS Emporia Gazette Newspapers.com EE	109

When I tried to print a list of sources, it generated a 576 page report. Instead of trying to edit that report to get just the newspapers, I took a screenshot of a page showing some of those newspaper sources.

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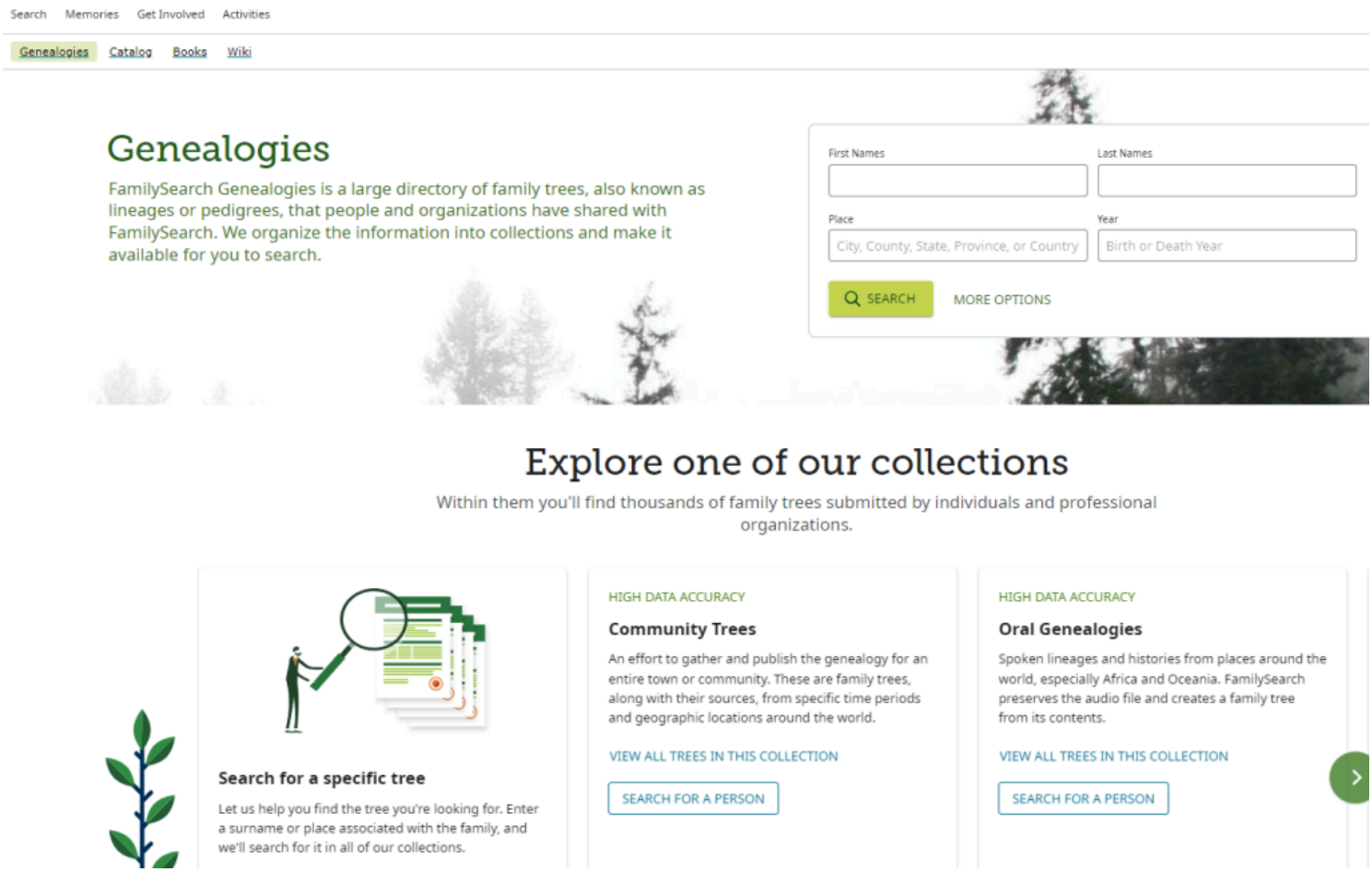
Ancestral File

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 29, 2024
FamilySearch

Have you searched the 'Genealogies' on the FamilySearch site? When I first started researching my family resources like the IGI and Ancestral File were some of the resources I often used. As I was updating sources for Enos Currey, I had a poorly written source for an Ancestral File.

Thus, I started searching for a digital copy of the file. That took me to the Wiki page for Ancestral File. I then opened the Genealogies search page to discover that there are quite a few 'older' resources on this page.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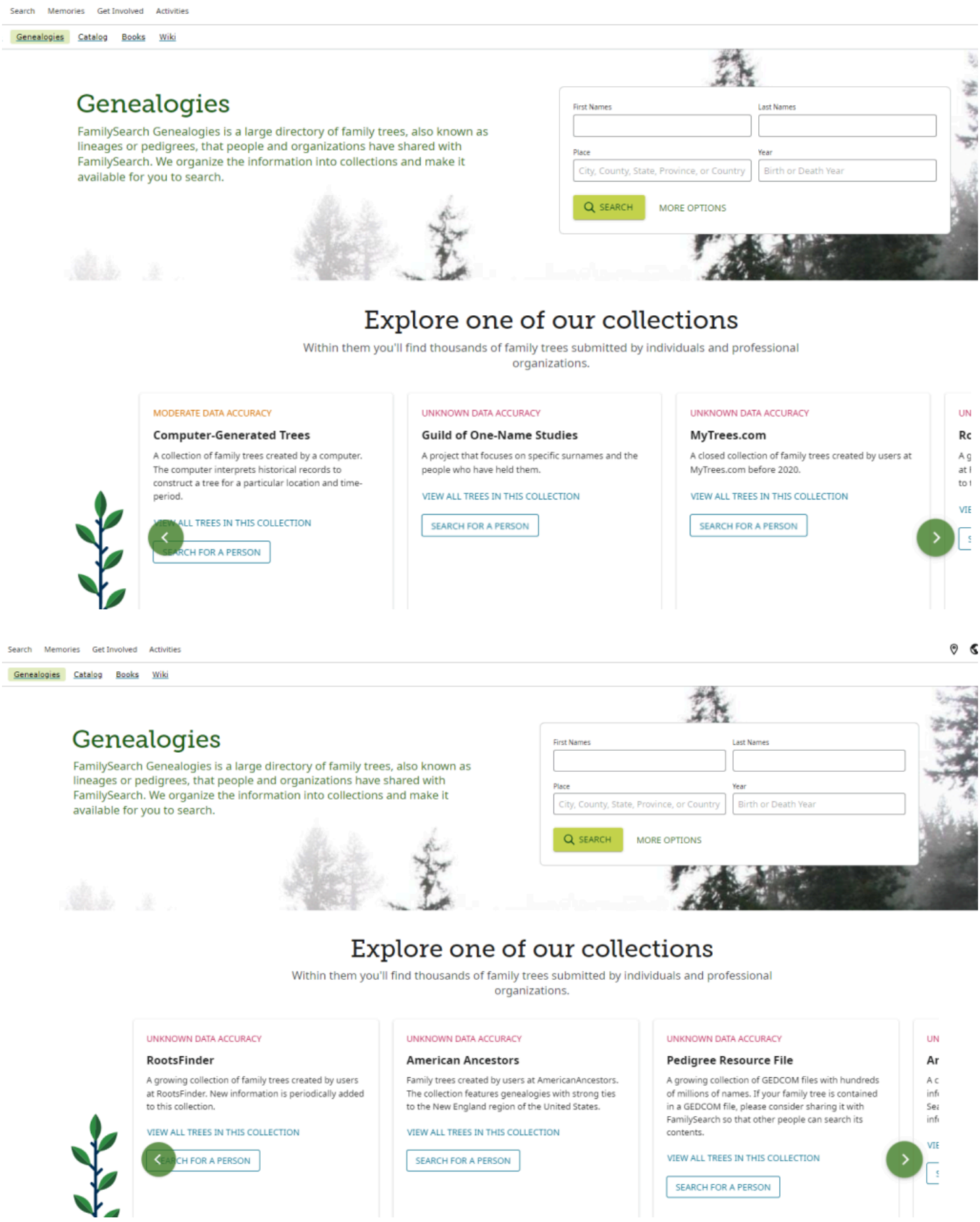
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RootsFinder
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American Ancestors
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Pedigree Resource File
A growing collection of GEDCOM files with hundreds of millions of names. If your family tree is contained in a GEDCOM file, please consider sharing it with FamilySearch so that other people can search its contents.
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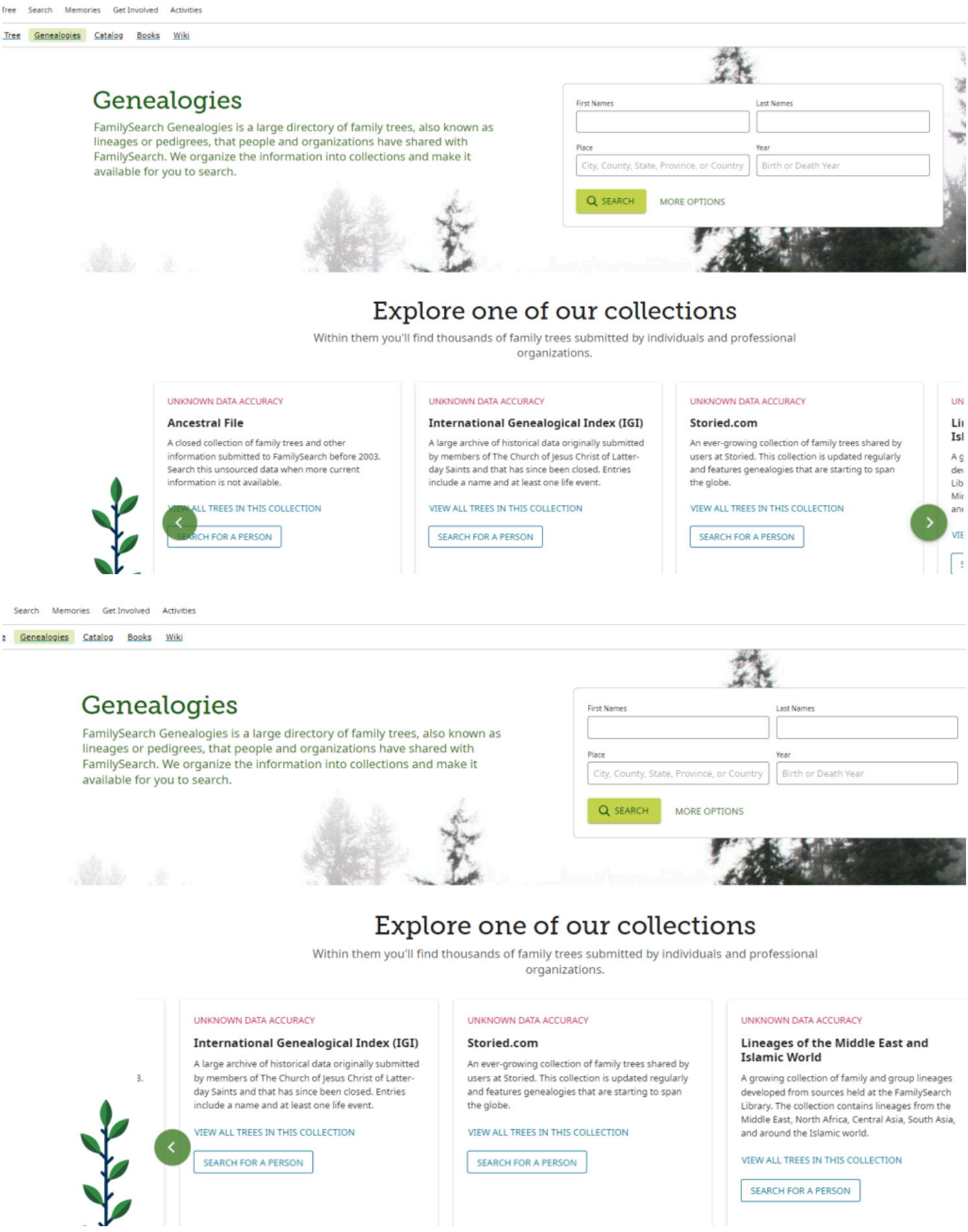
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A closed collection of family trees and other information submitted to FamilySearch before 2003. Search this unsourced data when more current information is not available.
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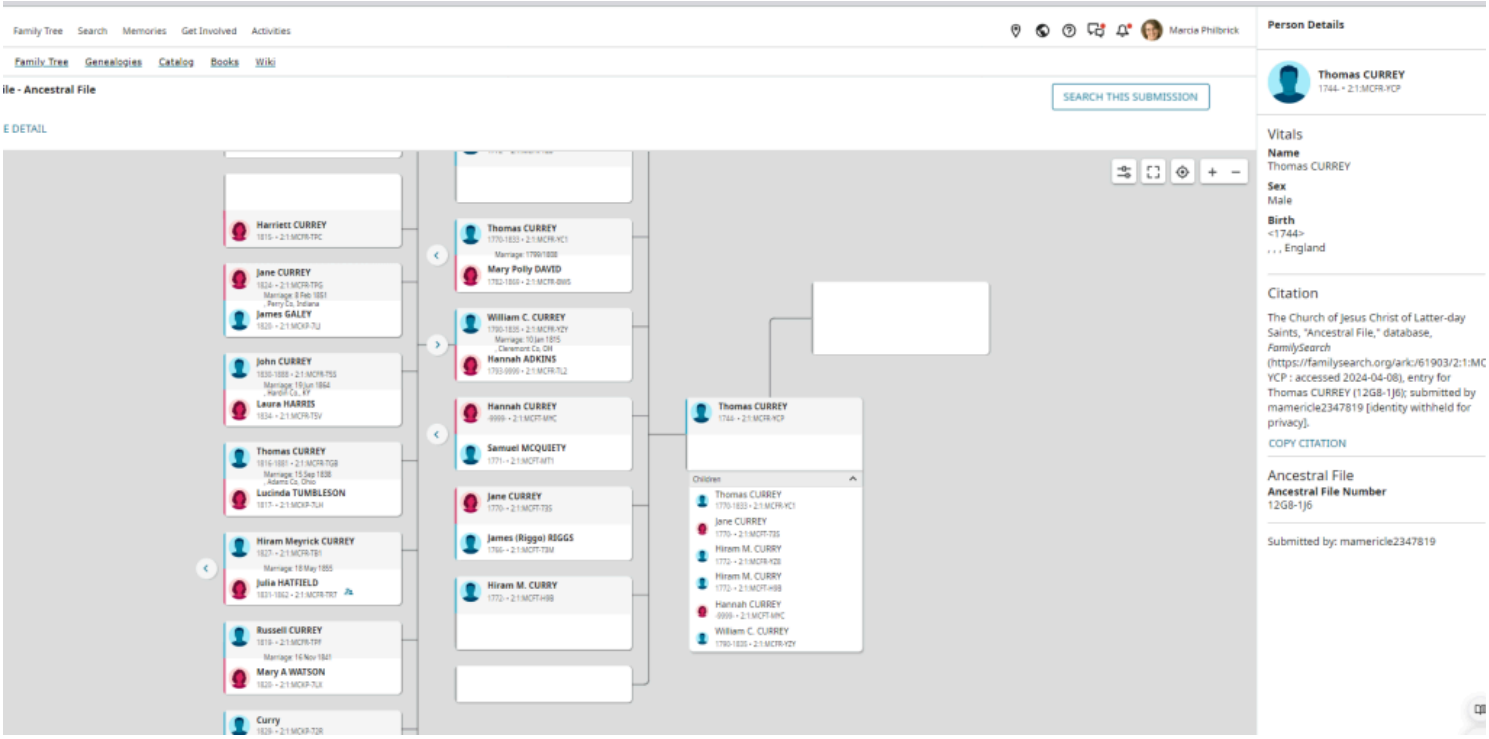
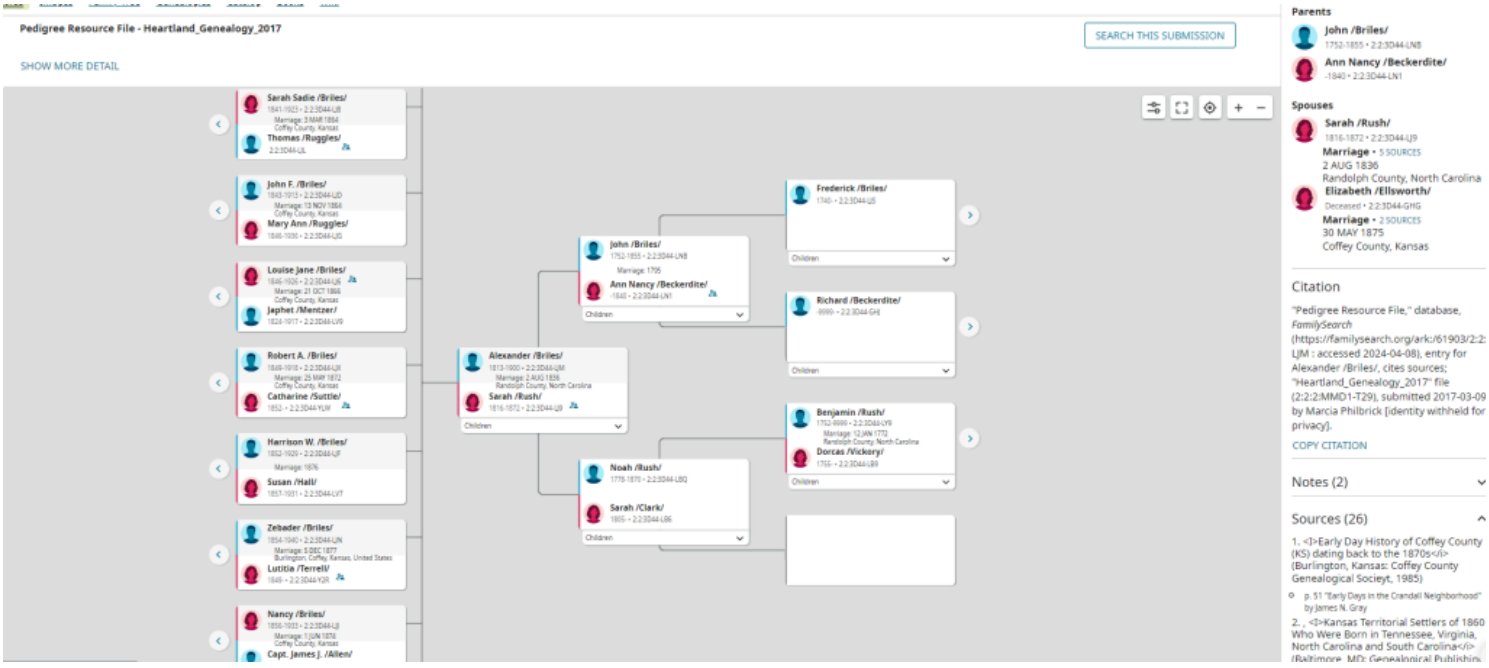
After a search of the Ancestral Files, I found what appears to be the same Ancestral File I used years ago.



Thus, I was able to create a better citation:

> The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints [LDS], “Ancestral File,” database, Family Search – ANcestral File (www.familysearch.org : 8 April 2024 viewed online), Thomas Currey; submission mamericle2347819.

Curious about what else I could find, I did some browsing and found one of my submisstions.



Most of the information found by searching these genealogies are from submissions made by other genealogists. While it might be tempting to ignore them, there may be some hints, such as sources, associated with them. While the citations in these files may not be up to today’s standards, they would provide hints as to where information can be found.

Purple Heart

By Marcia Crawford Philbrick
April 30, 2024
Nemaha County,World War II

George Bieri

Courier Tribune
1 May 1939
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George Bieri spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Bieri. George has just completed a four-months' naval training course in CHicago and will be transferred to a naval base on his return. George says he likes the life of a seaman. He is a cousin of Reuben and Harry Bieri who are in the navy too.

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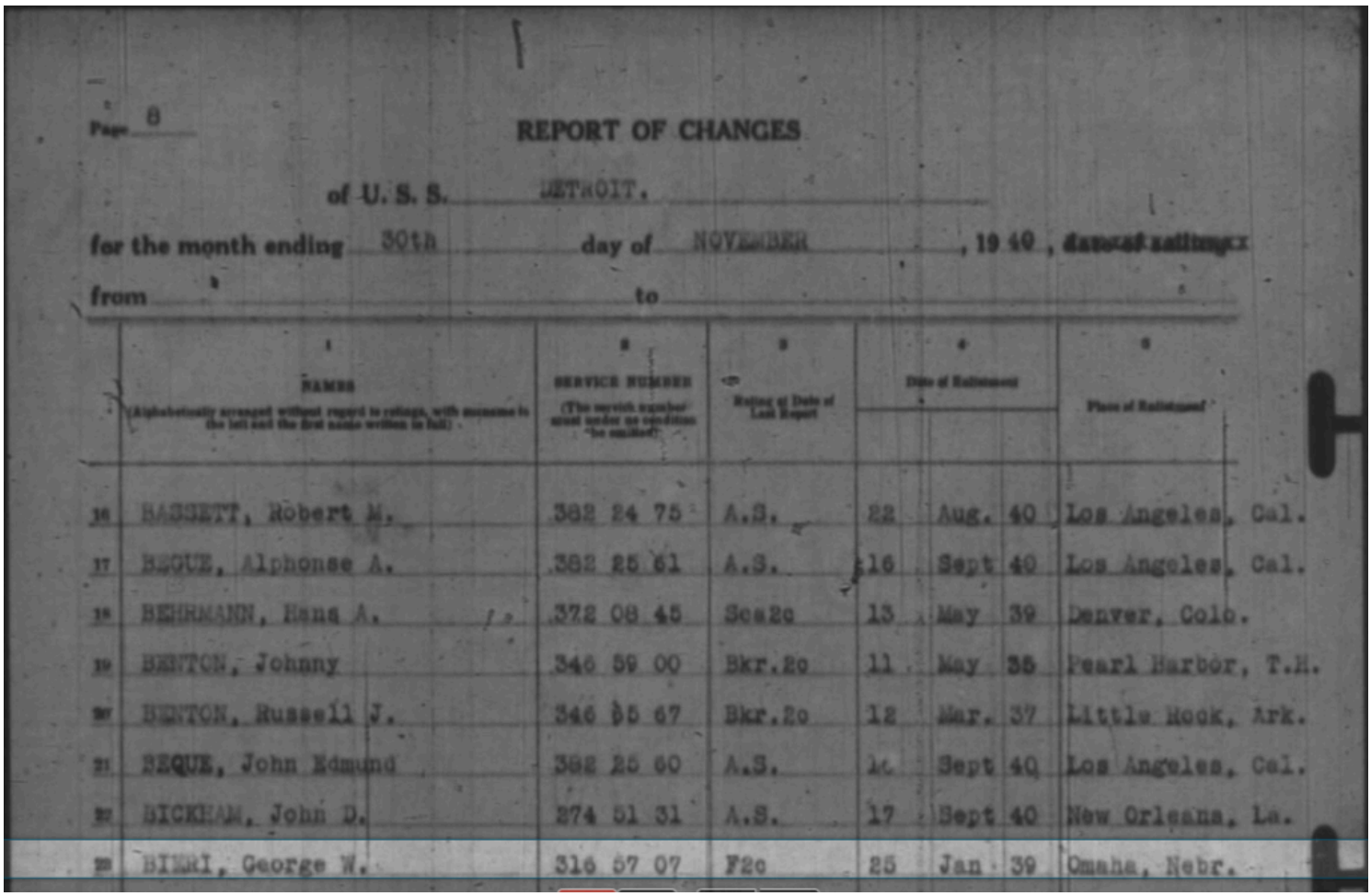
U.S. Navy Muster Roll

U.S.S. Detroit
30 Nov 1940



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REPORT OF CHANGES

of U. S. S. DETROIT,

for the month ending 30th day of NOVEMBER, 1940, date of sailing

from to

	1 NAMES (Alphabetically arranged without regard to ratings, with surname in the left and the first name written in full)	2 SERVICE NUMBER (The service number must under no condition be omitted)	3 Rating or Date of Last Report	4 Date of Enlistment	5 Place of Enlistment
16	BASSETT, Robert M.	382 24 75	A.S.	22 Aug. 40	Los Angeles, Cal.
17	BEQUE, Alphonse A.	382 25 61	A.S.	16 Sept 40	Los Angeles, Cal.
18	BEHRMANN, Hans A.	372 08 45	Sea2c	13 May 39	Denver, Colo.
19	BENTON, Johnny	346 59 00	Bkr.2c	11 May 35	Pearl Harbor, T.H.
20	BENTON, Russell J.	346 55 67	Bkr.2c	12 Mar. 37	Little Rock, Ark.
21	BEQUE, John Edmund	382 25 60	A.S.	16 Sept 40	Los Angeles, Cal.
22	BICKHAM, John D.	274 51 31	A.S.	17 Sept 40	New Orleans, La.
23	BIERI, George W.	316 57 07	F2c	25 Jan 39	Omaha, Nebr.

Courier Tribune
30 Dec 1940
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Mr. and Mrs Pete Bieri entertained with a dinner Sunday evening in honor of Rueben Bieri, who is in naval school in Washington, D. C. and George Bieri, who is on furlough from Honolulu. Other guests at the dinner Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bieri, Bern; Will Martin, Bern; Mr. and Mr. J. W. Bieri and children from Lansing and Miss Ruby Bieri, Beatrice.

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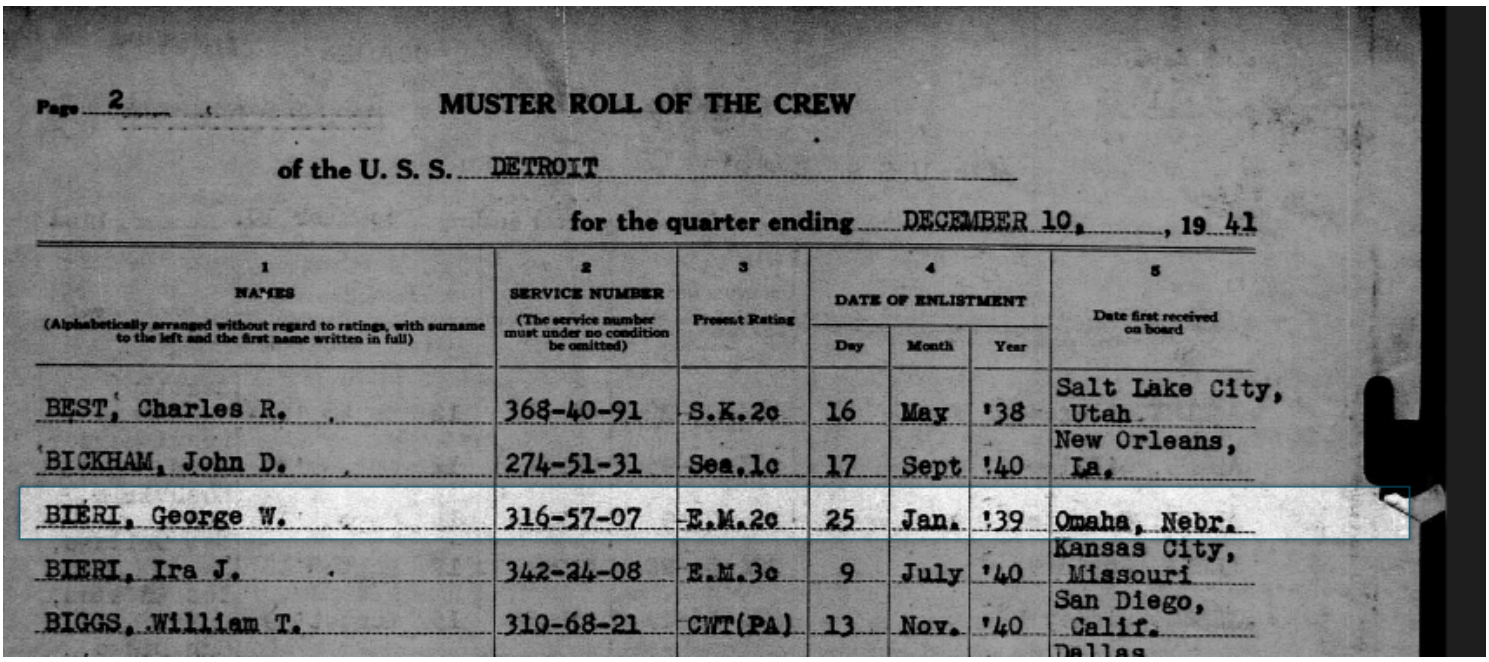
U.S. Navy Muster Rolls

USS Detroit
10 Dec 1941



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MUSTER ROLL OF THE CREW

of the U. S. S. DETROIT

for the quarter ending DECEMBER 10, , 19 41

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BEST, Charles R.	368-40-91	S.K.2c	16	May	'38	Salt Lake City, Utah
BICKHAM, John D.	274-51-31	Sea.1c	17	Sept	'40	New Orleans, La.
BIERI, George W.	316-57-07	E.M.2c	25	Jan.	'39	Omaha, Nebr.
BIERI, Ira J.	342-24-08	E.M.3c	9	July	'40	Kansas City, Missouri
BIGGS, William T.	310-68-21	CWT(PA)	13	Nov.	'40	San Diego, Calif.
						Dallas

The DuBois Paper
11 Dec 1941
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Home Boys in Sea War Zone

Ira and George Bieri, sons of Jonathan Bieri, are in Hawaiian Islands.

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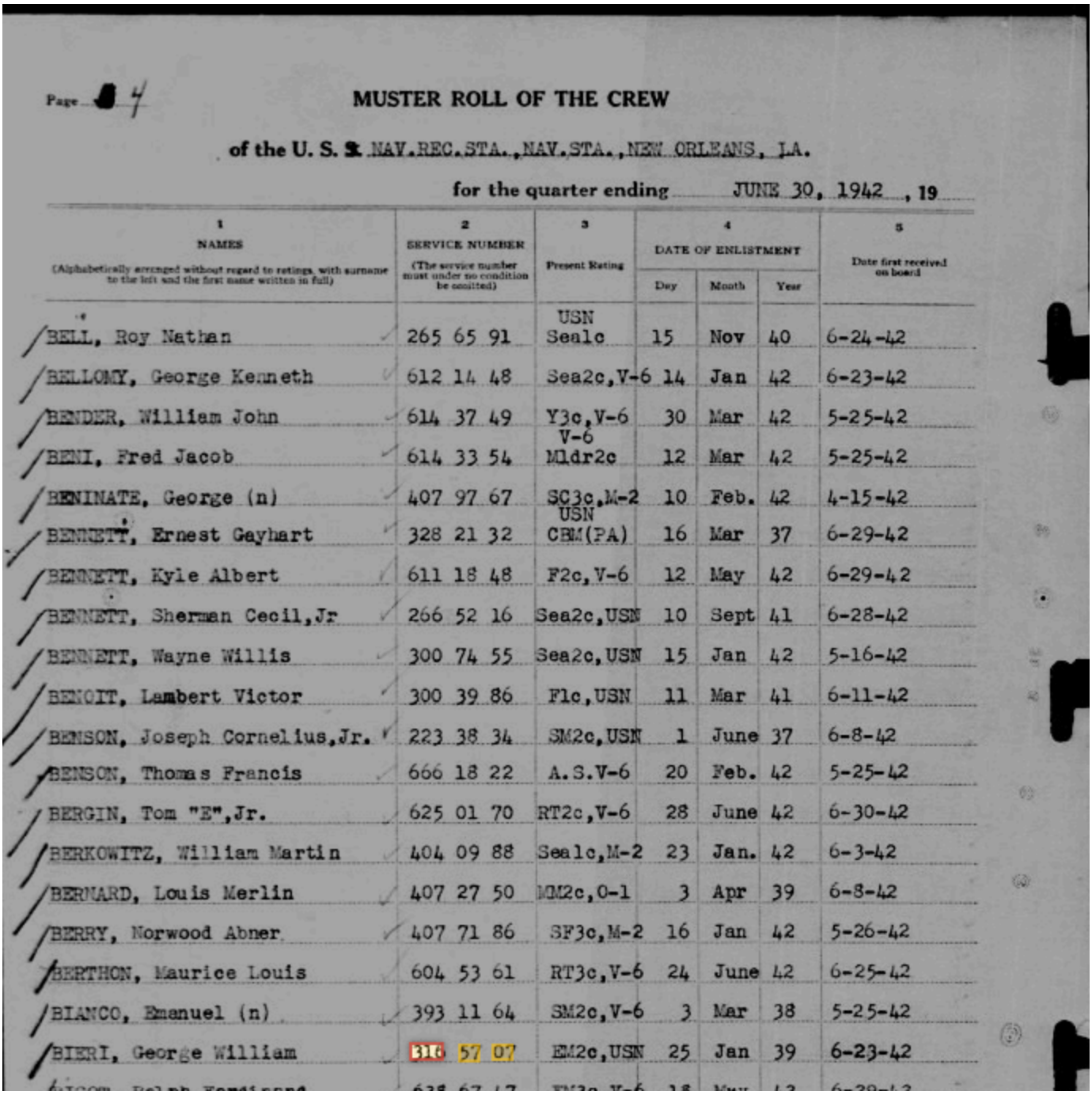
U.S. Navy Muster Rolls
Naval Receiving Station, New Orleans, LA

30 Jun 1942



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of the U. S. NAV.REC.STA.,NAV.STA.,NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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BELL, Roy Nathan	265 65 91	USN Sealc	15	Nov	40	6-24-42
BELLOMY, George Kenneth	612 14 48	Sea2c,V-6	14	Jan	42	6-23-42
BENDER, William John	614 37 49	Y3c,V-6	30	Mar	42	5-25-42
BENI, Fred Jacob	614 33 54	V-6 Mldr2c	12	Mar	42	5-25-42
BENINATE, George (n)	407 97 67	SC3c,M-2	10	Feb.	42	4-15-42
BENNETT, Ernest Gayhart	328 21 32	USN CBM(PA)	16	Mar	37	6-29-42
BENNETT, Kyle Albert	611 18 48	F2c,V-6	12	May	42	6-29-42
BENNETT, Sherman Cecil,Jr	266 52 16	Sea2c,USN	10	Sept	41	6-28-42
BENNETT, Wayne Willis	300 74 55	Sea2c,USN	15	Jan	42	5-16-42
BENOIT, Lambert Victor	300 39 86	Flc,USN	11	Mar	41	6-11-42
BENSON, Joseph Cornelius,Jr.	223 38 34	SM2c,USN	1	June	37	6-8-42
BENSON, Thomas Francis	666 18 22	A.S.V-6	20	Feb.	42	5-25-42
BERGIN, Tom "E",Jr.	625 01 70	RT2c,V-6	28	June	42	6-30-42
BERKOWITZ, William Martin	404 09 88	Sealc,M-2	23	Jan.	42	6-3-42
BERNARD, Louis Merlin	407 27 50	MM2c,O-1	3	Apr	39	6-8-42
BERRY, Norwood Abner	407 71 86	SF3c,M-2	16	Jan	42	5-26-42
BERTHON, Maurice Louis	604 53 61	RT3c,V-6	24	June	42	6-25-42
BIANCO, Emanuel (n)	393 11 64	SM2c,V-6	3	Mar	38	5-25-42
BIERI, George William	316 57 07	EM2c,USN	25	Jan	39	6-23-42

Courier Tribune
30 July 1942
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George Bieri, U.S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Bieri, Lansing, has been sent home to recuperate from a recent appendicitis operation. Dr. C. B. Has, Seneca, has been instructed to take care of him and met George at Hiawatha and took him to his home where he will stay until able to return to duty. He is a brother of Mrs. Hash.

Courier Tribune
21 Dec 1942
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Mrs. C. B. Hash and daughter went to Lansing Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bieri and to see Mrs. Hash's brother, George Bieri, with the U.S. Navy. George had a three-day leave. He is assigned to a sub chaser on the east coast. Mrs. Hash and daughter returned today.

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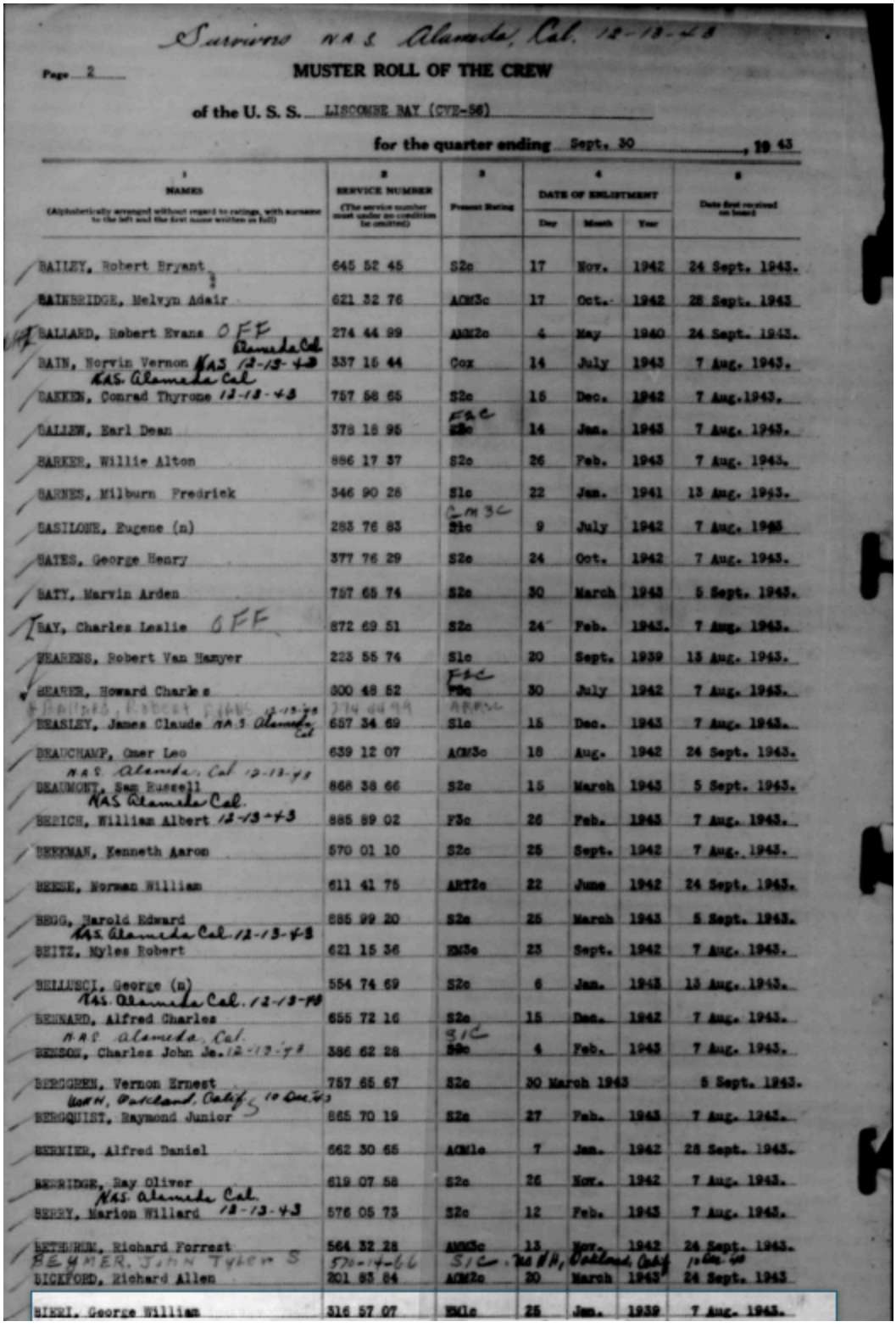
Muster Roll
USS Liscombe Bay (CVE-58)

Bieri, George William



Survivors NAS Alameda, Cal. 12-13-43

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MUSTER ROLL OF THE CREW

of the U. S. S. LISCOMBE BAY (CVE-56)

for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 19 43

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BAILEY, Robert Bryant	645 52 45	S2c	17	Nov.	1942	24 Sept. 1943.
BAINBRIDGE, Melvyn Adair	621 32 76	ACM3c	17	Oct.	1942	28 Sept. 1943
BALLARD, Robert Evans OFF Alameda Cal	274 44 99	ARM2c	4	May	1940	24 Sept. 1943.
BAIN, Norvin Vernon NAS 12-13-43 NAS Alameda Cal	337 16 44	Cox	14	July	1943	7 Aug. 1943.
BAKKEN, Conrad Thyrone 12-13-43	757 58 65	S2c	15	Dec.	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
BALLEW, Earl Dean	378 18 95	F3c S2c	14	Jan.	1943	7 Aug. 1943.
BARKER, Willie Alton	886 17 37	S2c	26	Feb.	1943	7 Aug. 1943.
BARNES, Milburn Fredrick	346 90 26	S1c	22	Jan.	1941	13 Aug. 1943.
BASILONE, Eugene (n)	283 76 83	S1c CM3C	9	July	1942	7 Aug. 1943
BATES, George Henry	377 76 29	S2c	24	Oct.	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
BATY, Marvin Arden	757 65 74	S2c	30	March	1943	5 Sept. 1943.
BAY, Charles Leslie OFF	872 69 51	S2c	24	Feb.	1943.	7 Aug. 1943.
BEARENS, Robert Van Hamyer	223 55 74	S1c	20	Sept.	1939	13 Aug. 1943.
BEAVER, Howard Charles	300 48 52	F3c F2c	30	July	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
BEAILES, Robert Gibbs 12-13-43 NAS Alameda Cal	274 44 99	ARM2c				
BEASLEY, James Claude	657 34 69	S1c	15	Dec.	1943	7 Aug. 1943.
BEAUCHAMP, Omer Leo	639 12 07	ACM3c	18	Aug.	1942	24 Sept. 1943.
BEAUMONT, Sam Russell NAS Alameda Cal. 12-13-43	868 38 66	S2c	15	March	1943	5 Sept. 1943.
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BEEMAN, Kenneth Aaron	570 01 10	S2c	25	Sept.	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
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BEGG, Harold Edward NAS Alameda Cal 12-13-43	885 99 20	S2c	25	March	1943	5 Sept. 1943.
BEITZ, Myles Robert	621 15 36	EM3c	23	Sept.	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
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BERGGREN, Vernon Ernest	757 65 67	S2c	30	March 1943		5 Sept. 1943.
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BERNIER, Alfred Daniel	662 30 65	ACM1c	7	Jan.	1942	28 Sept. 1943.
BERRIDGE, Ray Oliver	619 07 58	S2c	26	Nov.	1942	7 Aug. 1943.
NAS Alameda Cal. BERRY, Marion Willard 12-13-43	576 05 73	S2c	12	Feb.	1943	7 Aug. 1943.
BETHURUM, Richard Forrest	564 32 28	AOM3c	13	Nov.	1942	24 Sept. 1943.
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BICKFORD, Richard Allen	201 83 84	ACM2c	20	March	1943	24 Sept. 1943
BIERI, George William	316 57 07	EM1c	25	Jan.	1939	7 Aug. 1943.

The Expositor (Brantford, Ontario, Canada)
3 Dec 1943
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ONE U, S. ESCORT
AIRCRAFT CARRIER
WAS TORPEDOED

Washington, Dec. 3-(AP)The United States escort aircraft carrier Liscombe Bay, was torpedoed and sunk by a Japanese submarine during the Gilbert Island operations, and was the only American vessel lost during the engagement, the Navy announced Thursday.

Rear Admiral Henry M. Mullinnix, reported missing, was said by the Navy to have been aboard the carrier. Capt. Irving D. Wiltsie, Commander of the Liscombe Bay, also is reported missing in action.

The total casualties have not yet been disclosed.

The Liscombe Bay was the first American escort carrier reported sunk since U. S. entry into the war. An escort carrier is a small one, normally used to escort convoys.

Nebraska Daily News-Press (Nebraska City, NE)
13 Dec 1943
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Survivors Tell
Carrier's Death

Survivors of Liscombe
Bay Describe Torpedo
Hit; Loss of Life Great

SAN FRANCISCO – (U.P.)- The American escort aircraft carrier Liscombe Bay went down in flames with a great hissing sound off Makin Island while members of the crew struggled through burning oil in the waters around her, survivors said Monday.

A split second after a lookout shouted "here comes a torpedo," the carrier's light blinked out, and flames leaped high above the flight deck.

The Liscombe Bay went down Nov. 24. The Navy has announced that she was the only American warship lost in the conquest of the Gilbert Islands.

About 200 survivors arriving here said the casualties were heavy. Rear Admiral Henry M. Mullinix, task force commander, and Capt Irving D. Wiltsie, the skipper, both were lost.

Lt Cmdr M. U. Beebe, squadron commander, Anaheim, Cal., described the scene:

"There was a terrific rumbling throughout the ship, and an explosion that lifted me off the deck. The next thing I knew I was trying to get out the door in the darkness, but could find no passage. Fire started and I don't know how I got there, but I made the flight deck. It was ablaze and there was oil burning on the water."

There were more explosions before the Liscombe Bay made her final dive, bow out of the water until the last.

Eerographer L. D. Blakely, Lincoln, Neb., "watched her go and heard her death gurgle."

"There was no suction, only a loud hissing," he said.

Marshall County News
16 Dec 1943
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Missing in Action

George Bieri, petty officer first class, former Seneca resident, is missing in action following the destruction of the Liscome Bay, small U.S. Aircraft carrier in the Gilbert Island area.

The Roanoke TImes
28 Nov 1993
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World War II in the Pacific

Offshore, Japanese submarine I-75 torpedoed the U.S. escort carrier Lipscombe Bay, which exploded spectacularly before sinking with the loss of 600 sailors.

Courier Tribune
6 Dec 1943
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George Bieri on Lipscombe Bay?

Friends are concerned about the report of the sinking of the Lipscombe Bay, an aircraft carrier, in the Pacific last week. George Bieri, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N: Bieri, Lansing, and a brother of Mrs. C. B. Hash Jr., Seneca, was believed to have been assigned to the ship as an electrician. Daily papers last week carried a notice about the sinking of the ship, but

there seemed to be no definite news regarding the details. Relatives of the ship's crew have received no notice to date and are hopeful there may have been some mistake in the report Mr. and Mrs. Bieri have an older son, Ira, who is an electrician on cruiser, in active service in the Pacific.

Courier Tribune
9 Dec 1943
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GEORGE BIERI
IS MISSING

NOTIFIED TUESDAY

Second War Blow for
Bieri Family. Was on
Escort Aircraft Carrier

Official notice was received here Tuesday from the U.S. Naval Department that George Bieri, Petty Officer 1st class, is missing in action, in the Pacific war area.

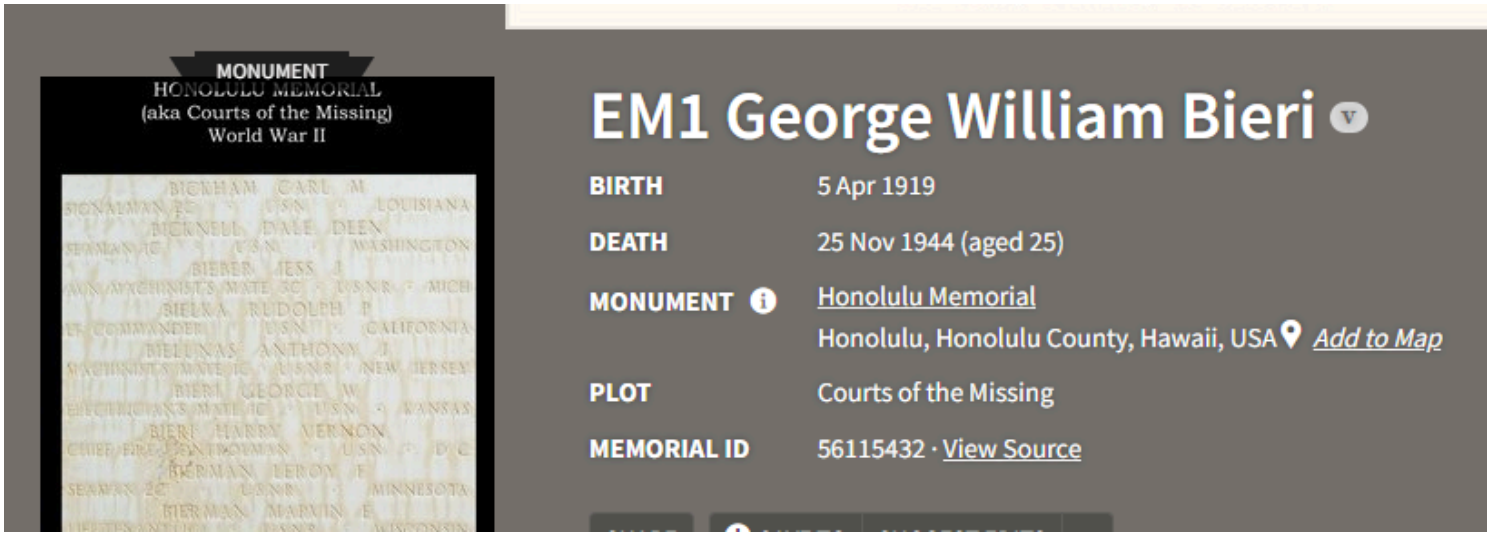
When daily papers reported last week that the Lipscombe Bay, a U. S. Naval Aircraft Carrier, was long overdue, relatives and friends of George Bieri, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bieri, Lansing, were concerned for his safety and well being. It was generally known by his relatives that George was assigned to the ship as Fire Controlman, first class.

George is 24 year old, has served in the Navy since January 1938 and has seen considerable action. He is well known in the Oneida community where he attended school and graduated from high school. He had written his parents this fall that he had been recommended for chief petty officer rating, effective November 1, but they haven't heard if the rating had been confirmed.

While George never lived in Seneca, he has many friends and acquaintances in this community. He is a brother of Mrs. C. B. Hash and a nephew of Sheriff and Mrs. Pete Bieri. His elder brother, Ira, serving his country in the navy, is an electrician assigned to a cruiser, in the Pacific.

The report regarding George is the second blow to members of the Bieri family since the United States entered the war. A cousin, Harry Bieri, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bieri, was reported killed in action about 18 months ago.

The name of Lt. T. P. Capps, Topeka, was on the list of missing in action in the sinking of the Lipscombe Bay. He was a dentist and a close friend of Dr. Gerard Wempe.



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George William Bieri

BIRTH 5 Apr 1919
Oneida, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

DEATH 24 Nov 1943 (aged 24)
Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, Kiribati

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Bern, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA *Add to Map*

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